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CHITTOOR,
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1762

VOLUME No. XXXVII.

No. 1.

To Samuel Ardley Esqr.
Deputy Governor of Fort Marlborough.

Sir

We now dispatch the Ossterly to Bencoolen where we hope she will find you safe arrived with the Earl Temple and Plassey.

The Several Articles of Provisions which ye. ships abovementioned could not receive are now sent in the Ossterly agreable to the Invoice & Bill of Lading enclosed also seven Chests of Treasure which with the eight Chests returned in the Earl Temple will, we judge be sufficient for four months Disbursements at the West Coast, exclusive of the Purchase of Pepper which may be on hand at the Subordinates.

By the enclosed Extract from a Letter from the President and Council of Bombay you will observe that on a Report of two of the Enemys ships of War having gone from the [. . . .] to Batavia [as] Convoy to two others sent thither [. . . .] His Majesty's ship [. . . .] assisting in any service you may think necessary to recommend towards protecting the Company's affairs on that side.

By advices from Anjengo we learn that ye. Medway & Panther with the Beliene and Seahorse passed that place in November.

We have been addressed by the Owners of the Success Snow Commanded by the late Captain Austin concerning some Engagements the Natives of your Coast entered into with Captain Austin (before the arrival of the Europe Ships at Marlborough) for Pepper in Barter for Goods he deliver'd to them which they are desirous we would give Orders may be duely performed Although we cannot gratify them in consenting to their having the Pepper, We are however of Opinion that they should have a reasonable Advantage upon the Goods they may have disposed of and deliverd, and that the Natives should pay for the same as the Prices [. . . .] like sortm[ent . . .] usually purchased for [. . . .] Quantity delivered [. . . .] perfectly acquaint [. . .] Transactions As we understand Captain Austin was very assiduous in conciliating the difference subsisting between the Natives on his Arrival on the Coast, and encouraging them to keep their Plantations in good Order and to collect the Pepper, We would have you give all necessary Assistance towards the recovery of ye. Amount of the Goods he disposed of to the Natives as abovementioned. The owners have likewise represented to us that some Presidents were made by Captain Austin to the Pangarans and other Head Men in the Company's Name and that he was at some other Expences on their Account at the request of Mr. Herbert. These you will obtain an Account of, and pay the Amount thereof to the Agent for the Owners of the Success Snow.

The Complement of the Osstertly's Crew having been exceedingly reduced by Sickness. The Surgeon of His Majesty's Hospital here has on our Application permitted such of the Seamen who are recovered and capable of doing Duty to assist on board the Ossterly [. . . .] [ret]urn to the West Coast They are [the] number eighteen and [. . . .] that they be returned by ye. first opportunity [. . . .] any of His Majesty's Ships that may touch [. . . .] stores left their by the Norfolk and Duke of Richmond of which a List is enclosed of ye. Military two deserted at Mallacca namely Godfrey Fillinger & Frederick Braulne.

Enclosed are such Accounts of Disbursements attending the Military and Stores at Atcheen and Mallacca as have been received from Mr. Frazer and Mr. Russel with the several vouchers transmitted therewith also Copies of ye. Letters received from the Governour of Mallacca and Mr. Frazer, As it is intended that the Earl Temple should fetch from thence the remainder of the Stores, it may be necessary to instruct the Commander, or send some proper Person to settle all Accounts relative thereto at Mallacca you will please to observe that the Government there has been supplied with some Salt Provision which according to Mr. Frazers Letters will either be paid for or restored in kind, in which you [. . .] by your own Circumstances and on the [. . .] that D. 400 were advanced. Mr. Russell [. . .] after Mr. Frazers De [. . .] one of the wri[ters . . .] proceeds to his Station, in the Ossterly, enclosed is an Account of the Money which has been advanced to him at different times. The other two Gentlemen Mr. Russell and Mr. Manington were left at Vizagapatam, where the Leopard put in at, and was obliged to leave the Road in hard Weather.

On the Ossterly are embarked eleven more Coffrees for the Service of the West Coast.

We have the pleasure to acquaint you that Veeloor Surender'd the 26th. Ultimo.

We are

SIR

Your Affectionate Friends

GEORGE PIGOT
&CA. COUNCIL.

FORT ST. GEORGE
1ST. JANUARY 1762.

No. 2.

To SAMUEL C[ORNISH] ESQR.
REAR ADMIRAL OF [. . .] COMMANDER IN CHIEF
OF HIS MAJESTY'S [. . .] INDIA
OR TO THE COMMANDER OF ANY OF [. . .].

[. . .] Company's ship Ossterly arrived here in November from the West Coast with her people so exceedingly reduced by sickness that she could not remain even in this Road with safety. We were under the necessity therefore of making Application to Mr. Price Surgeon of His Majesty's Hospital here to permit such of the Seamen who were recover'd and capable of Duty to assist on board that ship in navigating her back to the West Coast. He Thought the necessity of the service might justify his compliance with our request and eighteen of His Majestys Seamen were accordingly embarked, we have given possitive Directions to Mr. Ardley the Deputy Governour at Fort Marlborough to return them by the first opportunity or put them on board any of His Majesty's ships that may touch on that Coast, which we hope will meet with your Approbation.

We have the Honour to be

SIR

Your most obedient humble Servants

GEORGE PIGOT
&CA. COUNCIL

FORT ST. GEORGE
1ST. JANUARY 1762

N°. 3.

To Samuel Ardley Esq^r^.
Deputy Governour of Fort Marlborough.

Sir

Since closing our advices by this ship We have received from the President and Council of Fort William Extract from the Company's General Letter to that Presidency dated the 13^th^. March 1761 relative to the Rever^d^. M^r^. John More also copy of what they have wrote to the Company in answer—Transcripts of the same are now transmitted to you, which you will communicate to M^r^. More, and acquaint him that in consequence of what the Gentlemen at Fort William have wrote in his favour he may continue to Officiate as Chaplain at Fort Marlborough untill the Companys further Orders are received.

You will receive by the Ossterly the Packet for Fort Marlborough by the Norfolk received here by the Leopard from Mallacca.

We have landed here from the Consignments to the West Coast on board the Ossterly for our Occasions 4 bales of Canvas [. . .].

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Mm. Aldersey,
Secretv.

Fort St. George.

No. 4.

To Mr. John White
Commanding the Ship Ossterly.

Sir

You are hereby directed to repair on board your ship and make the best of your way to Moco Moco on the West Coast of Sumatra where after having obtained Intelligence of the Situation of Affairs at Fort Marlborough you are to proceed thither, and deliver the accompanying Packet to Samuel Ardley Esqr. the Deputy Governour at Fort Marlborough or the Residing [. . .] the time being whose Orders you are to follow [. . .] Commander of any of His Majesty's Ship or ships you may chance to fall in with it being on the subject of ye. Seamen who have been permitted to assist in Navigation your ship to the West Coast.

We wish you a good Voyage & Date this in Fort St. George the 3d. January 1762.

George Pigot
&ca. Council.

No. 5.

To the Honble Henry Vansittart Esqr.
President & Governour &ca. Council
at Fort William.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We wrote to you by the Syren Snow under date the 9th. November, and have since received your Letters of the 22d. October and 7th. Ultimo, with the former came enclosed first Bill of Exchange drawn by Capt. Hart on the Commanding Officer of the 96th. Regiment for Arcot Rupees eight hundred which was omitted to be enclosed in yours of the 3d. October and has been duely honoured.

In our Letter of the 12th. October We acquainted you in answer to [. . .] us the 7th. Septr. that we [. . .] the other five, we judged from this that your Honour &ca. would have understood we meant to desire you to send us up that remaining ship to compleat her loading with those Bales.

If your Honour &ca. should receive this in time to Order a ship here to take in about four hundred Bales we think it will be more for our Honble Masters Interest than it would be to load home from hence the Admiral Watson or Royal George. indeed that Number of bales would go but a Little way towards loading either of them and We have not a Bag of Salt Petre in Store. We shall be glad

to receive by the ships coming up at least three hundred Tons of this Article and if it did suit your conveniency it would be certainly proper to send us such a quantity as may leave us in store one or two hundred Tons more.

We acquiesce in your Request for the Reverend Mr. Samuel Stanely to occupy the vacancy occasioned by the Death of the Reverend Mr. Henry Butler late Chaplain at your Presidency untill the Companys pleasure be known.

The Earl Temple and Plassey sailed the 19th. of November for the West Coast with Mr. Ardley on board the former as provisional Deputy Governour. The Ossterly [dated the] 4th. Instant.

Th[. . .] Mr. John More ac[. . .] in answer as desired in your Letter of the 7th. December Mr. More before his Departure paid off the Bond he entered into with the Company for £100 at the time of his leaving England.

We desire you will inform us what Advances were made at your Presidency to John Aspiner an Artificer of the Fort Marlborough Establishment who came hither in the Syren Snow.

Agreeable to your Request We enclose Copy of the ship Plassey's Invoice from Europe.

We have the pleasure to acquaint you that our Honble Masters Ship the Norfolk imported yesterday the material Advices we have received since their last by the Coast and Bay; ships are contained in the Enclosed Extracts from their General Letter dated the 6th. May 1761.

As we observe by the Abstracts of the Norfolks and Chesterfields. Invoices for your Presidency that our Honble Masters have consigned to you a supply of station any it will be unnecessary for us to send you any out of our Store which is but small.

The Prince Henry Packet from Madagascar with Slaves is now standing into the Road.

We are
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most obedient humble Servants
GEORGE PIGOT &CA. COUNCIL.

FORT ST. GEORGE
[. . .]

No. 6.

TO THE HONBLE CHARLES CROMMELIN ESQR.
PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR &CA. COUNCIL
AT BOMBAY.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Since we wrote to you by the Patty the 19th. Octor. we have received you of the 12th. November.

In your letter of the 18th. January last Year you were pleased to acquai us that the Fattee Salam was freighted for transporting some of His Majest Troops, and to take in Provisions and stores for this place, and desire that v will give the Commander Orders to proceed to Anjengo and to follow su Directions as he may receive there from the Chief and Factors—The Chief a Factors at Tellicherry write the 4th. February that they had sent her to Mang lore to take in Masts for His Majestys Squadron and in a Letter of the 22d. of the same Month they acquaint us that they then sent her round to the Coast with Masts &ca. under convoy of the Earl Temple.

The 4th. of April she arrived here and the 14th. of that Month, we acquainted your Honour &ca. that we thought the Fattee Salam a proper Vessell for one of the Transports then proposed to be sent to the Mauritius if your Honour &ca. could prevail on the Owners to let her to Freight.

In the proceedings of your Committee of the 27th. May enclosed in your Letter to us of the 30th. of that Month you [. . . .]. Owners of the Fattee Salam had relin[quished] [. . .] Maurituis [. . .] in that Place, and delivered her Loading except fifty five Pieces of Cannon, and 11700 Shot, as we were in want of such a ship to transport to Bengal His Majesty's 84th. Regiment Orders were given to the Captain to receive on board

Tons. qr. lb.

22. 6. 1. 20 of Redwood and to proceed thither, We thought this service might make some Amends to the Company for the long time that ship had laid unemployed, and that she might return from Bengal in time to leave this Coast at the proper season to have a good Passage round to Bombay. These were our motives for so employing her, and the Amount of her Lading being not more than about 250 Tons and the Camp Equipage of the Regiment, had we actually known she was a leaky ship we should not have expected that a Disaster so melancholy could have happen'd with the number of Men she had on board as you will learn by the enclosed Copy of a Letter from Captain Simmonds to the President and Council of Fort William. The Detachment she had on board from this Place of Colonel Coots Regiment together with a Company of French Voluntiers made in the whole near four hundred men.

The Earl Temple and Plassey a Country ship sailed the 21st. of November for the West Coast with Mr. Ardley on board the former as provisional Deputy Governour agreable to what we wrote to your Honour &ca. the 19th. October.

The Ossterly arrived here from Ben Coolen the 1st. November the Occasion of her coming hither will appear by the enclosed Extract from Captain Vincent to our President she sailed hence on her return [. . .]. 5th. Instant. We have the pleasure to acquaint you that the Norfolk imported yesterday she left England the 26th. of May in company with ye. ships Boscawen, Earl of Elgin, True Briton, Calcutta and Royal Captain and parted from them the 8th. September after calling at Rio de Janeiro, The Material Advices received from our Honble Masters since their last by the Coast and Bay Ships are contained in the enclosed Extract from their General Letter dated 6 May 1761.

The Shaftesbury, Harcourt and Stormont arrived at Portsmouth under convoy of the Vanguard man of war a few days before the Norfolk sailed the Prince Henry Packet from Madagascar with Slaves is coming into the road.

By our last Advices from Bengal we have the satisfaction to learn that all our Honble Masters ships of last season were arrived there.

We request that you will by the earliest opportunities supply us as Plentifully as possible with Gunpowder such as may be depended upon for service that We last received from you having been very indifferent

We are

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most obedient humble Servan

George Pigot &ca. Council.

Fort St. George
11th. January 1762

P.S.—Enclosed is a Packet addressed to our Honble Master [. . .] will be pleased to Forward, as soon as [. . .] Triplicate are to be dispatch'd [. . .].

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6 General Letter To the Honble the Court of Directors Dated 15th. Jany. 1762.

WM. ALDERSEY,
Secry.

FORT ST. GEORGE
15TH. JANY. 1762.

No. 7.

To THOMAS HODGES ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT TELLICHERY.

GENTLEMEN

We have received your Letters of the 20th. October & 30th. November; Messrs. Stevenson and Cotsford are arived and the Bills you mention in the former to have drawn upon us in their favor duely honoured.

We are informed by the Captain of a Dutch vessel from Batavia that when he left that Place in October a French Man of War was there of 72 Guns and three Vessels for Provisions.

We have the pleasure to acquaint you that the Norfolk Imported yesterday she left England the 26th. May in Company with the Ships Boscawen Earl of Elgin, True Briton Calcutta and Royal Captain, and parted from them the 8th. September after calling at Rio de Janeiro.

[. . . . . .]

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GEORGE PIGOT &CA. COUNCIL.

FORT ST. GEORGE
11TH. JANUARY 1762.

No. 8.

To THOMAS WHITEHILL ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. FACTORS AT ANJENGO.

GENTLEMEN

We received your letter of the 6th. October enclosing a Packet for Captain Afflick who having sail'd for Bombay in the Baliene the 5th. of that Month was dispatch'd thither.

The Packet for Bombay inclosed in your Letter of the 10th. July was forwarded. The Letter you mention to have wrote to us under date 9th. June has not been received.

We are informed by the Captain of a Dutch Vessel from Batavia that when he left that Place in October a French Man of War was there of 72 Guns and three Vessells for Provisions.

We have the pleasure to acquaint you that the Norfolk Imported yesterday she left England the 26th. May in Company with the ships Boscawen, Earl of Elgin, True Briton, Calcutta and Royal Captain and parted from them the 8th. September after calling at Rio de Janeiro.

The Shaftesbury Harcourt and [. . .] Portsmouth under Convoy of the Van Guard [. . .] sail'd.

No. 9.

To THOMAS HEATH ESQR.
CHIEF AT VIZAGAPATAM.

SIR

We have received your letter dated 31st. ultimo.

Formerly the Gun Peons at your Settlement received only 2 Rups. pr. Month each. It is not increased to three which we think full sufficient and must not therefore be exceeded. You have our permission to keep 2 Packers in Pay at 4 Rupees each pr. month.

The Serjeant of Seapoys with the sixteen Men of the Train you have detain'd and one Drummer may remain with you. We cannot spare an Officer at Present.

An Assistant shall be appointed to your Settlement in consequence of your Application and a supply of wares and stores with some stationary shall be forwarded to you when a sea conveyance offers.

We are
SIR
Your affectionate friends
GEORGE PIGOT &CA. COUNCIL.

FORT ST. GEORGE
27TH. JANUARY 1762.

No. 10.

To RICHARD FAIRFIELD ESQR.
CHIEF OF MAZULIPATAM.

SIR

As the Number of Packers allow'd at Bandarmalanka by the late Regulations appear to be more than can be necessary for the present Occasions of that Factory. We direct that they be reduced to two at 4 Rups. pr. Month.

The above[. . .] Mr. Brickenden your Assistant is to be Pags. 10 pr. [. . .] of 80 Rupees mentioned in the [. . .] assistant who shall at any time be sent to take the Charge of Affairs at Bandarmalanka.

We are
SIR
Your affectionate friends
GEORGE PIGOT &CA. COUNCIL.

FORT ST. GEORGE
27TH. JANUARY 1762

N°. 11.

To CHARLES TURNER ESQR.
CHIEF AT CUDDALORE.

SIR

We have received your Letter dated the 5th. Instant.

From the Estimate you make of the expence to repair the Washing Godown and Choultries at Bandepolam we approve of your putting the same into execution as soon as possible.

You have our permission to take from Pondicherry such of the Articles remaining there as may be of use at Cuddalore of which you are to make a valuation and acquaint us Mr. Dowsett having our Directions to return to Madrass what remain to be done at Pondicherry is to be under your Charge, and you will accordingly employ a Conicoply to manage that Business.

There being a Quantity of Gunpowder remaining at Pondicherry you will cause it to be survey'd and report to us the state of it, such part as may be fit for service you will immediately send by Bullocks to Trichenopoly where that Article is wanted, and the remainder if any you will send hither if it be worth [. . .] transporting.

You are in future to pay the Monthly charges [. . .] according to the late Regulation of which you have been acquainted.

The servants you represent to be necessary for the Garrison and Hospital you have our leave to entertain.

Your several Indents are ordered to be complied with by the first opportunity.

FORT ST. GEORGE
27TH. JANUARY 1762.

We are
SIR
Your affectionate friends
GEORGE PIGOT &CA. COUNCIL.

N°. 12.

To MR. ROBERT DOWSETT.

SIR

As we think your stay at Pondicherry no longer necessary you will on receipt hereof transmit to Mr. Turner the Chief of Cuddalore an account of the several Articles remaining and make the same over in charge to such Person as he may appoint to receive them which done you are to repair to Madrass.

FORT ST. GEORGE
27TH. JANUARY 1762.

We are
SIR
Your affectionate friends
EORGE PIGOT &CA. COUNCIL.

No. 13.

To Richard Fairfield Esqr.
Chief of Mazulipatam.

Sir

We have received your Letter dated the 4th. January enclosing the Accounts of [. . .] Statement for December.

[. . .] Tumbrils and Gun Carriages that may remain at [. . .] after the removal of the Stores to Devy may be broke up or burnt and the Iron Work sent to Madras if you should have no use for it, or kept in store if you have.

We admit for the present the Charge of 45 Rupees you represent to be necessary for the Monthly Expence of Oil at Mazulipatam on your Removal to Devy you are to send in a new Estimate of what may be required there that a proper Allowance may be settled.

3d. February 1762.
Fort St. George

We are
Sir
Your affectionate friends
George Pigot &ca. Council

No. 14.

To the Honble Henry Vansittart Esqr.
President and Governour &ca. Council
of Fort William.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We have received your Letter dated the 1st. and 8th. of January.

In our last dated the 9th. of Last Month by the Tappies, Duplicate of which accompanys this, we acquainted you of the Arrival of the Norfolk and Prince Henry Packet since which Admiral Cornish has arrived here with His Majesty's ships the Norfolk, Elizabeth, Lenox, Grafton, America, Weymouth and Falmouth.

This Event has given some interruption to the landing the Consignments for this Place by the Norfolk which when accomplished she will proceed immediately to the Bay.

The Reverend Mr. More having proceeded to the West Coast with Mr. Ardley We could not communicate to him [. . .] desire in your Letter of the 1st. January on the Occasion of the [. . .] Chaplain Mr. Cape.

By advices from Bombay of the 2d. [. . .] that the Royal Captain imported there the day before she left England the 26th. of May in company with the Norfolk, True Briton, Calcutta and Earl of Eglin and parted from them the Beginning of September a few days after they left Rio de Janeiro. The Shaftesbury, Harcourt and Stormont arrived in England just before they sail'd.

The Company having in their Advices of last season acquainted us that they sent out the year before to your Presidency two Persons skill'd in the Business of refining Brimstone and Salt Petre. We request that you will be pleased to permit one of them to come hither by the first opportunity as we are in great want of such an Assistant and he shall be returned to you whenever your Occasions may require it.

We enclose Copy of the 137 Paragraph of our Honble Masters Commands dated the 13th. March last wherein they direct that their particular Thanks be tender'd to Col. Coote for his services, and which we desire you will be pleased to communicate to that Gentleman.

Our Honble Masters having also signifyed to us their pleasure that the Importation of Ophium at their Settlements on the West Coast be prohibited We have caused Publick Notice thereof to be given accordingly.

FORT ST. GEORGE
6TH. FEBRUARY 1762.

We are
HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Your most obedient humble Servants
GEORGE PIGOT &CA. COUNCIL.

LIST OF THE PACKET TO FORT WILLIAM PR. SHIP DEFENCE
No. 1 General Letter dated 6 February 1762.
2 137 Para. of General Letter from the Court of Directors Dated 13th. March 1761.
Duplicate Packet Compleat Dated 9ht. Jany. 1762.

WM. ALDERSEY,
Secry.

FORT ST. GEORGE
6 FEBR. 1762.

No. 15.

TO THE HONBLE CHARLES CROMMELIN ESQR.
PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR &CA. COUNCIL
OF BOMBAY.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Since writing to you the 11th. Ultimo of which Duplicate has been also forwarded we have received your Letter dated the 2d. January.

We are Glad to hear of the safe arrival of the Royal Captain at Your Presidency, and hope she was soon followed by the rest of the ships destin'd to your side.

You are acquainted in a Letter from the Secret Department dated the 31st Ultimo of the arrival of Admiral Cornish here with His Majesty's Ships the Norfolk, Elizabeth, Lenox, Grafton, America Weymouth and Falmouth.

Our Honble Masters ship the Royal George from China arrived yesterday she left Canton in December in Company with the Caemarvon, Neptune, Norfolk, Duke of Richmond, Pitt, Princess Augusta, Triton and Prince Henry all for Europe and parted from them the 28th. January of Point Perrah—they passed through the streights of Mallacca to avoid three French Men of War they had Intelligence were cruising in the streights of Sunda.

The Princess Augusta Carnaervon & Warwick were dispatched from Canton for England the 2d. July but the two former having for twelve weeks in vain attempted to proceed by the Pitts Passage returned to Canton and sailed with the Ships dispatched in December as abovementioned.

The Godolphin from Your Place put in at Mazulipatam for Refreshment in her way to Bengal.

We expect the Warren from Bengal towards the end of the Month in Order to be dispatched for Europe from Hence.

We are
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedient humble Servants
GEORGE PIGOT
&C^A. COUNCIL

FORT S^T. GEORGE
8^TH. FEBRUARY 1762.

N^o. 16.

TO THOMAS HEATH ESQ^R.
CHIEF OF VIZAGAPATAM.

SIR

We have received your Letter of the 24^th. Ultimo.

An Officer shall be appointed for your place agreeable to your desire, but we do not think a Reinforcement necessary, as it does not seem probable the Morattas will direct their Attention to your Settlement, and if they should it would be in vain in the present defenceless Condition of the Place to think of making any Resistance under such Circumstances therefore your only resource would be to return with your Garrison by sea with such of the Companys Effects as might be of value, but we would not have you confide too easily in the reports of the Country People who often take Alarm from Rumours that are without foundation.

As you inform us that you are in want or a supply of Money for the Occasions of your Settlement We have directed M^r. Fairfield to send you two thousand Madras Pagodas from Mazulipatam.

FORT S^T. GEORGE
10^TH. FEBR^Y. 1762.

We are
SIR
Your Affectionate Friends
GEORGE PIGOT
&C^A. COUNCIL

N^o. 17.

TO RICHARD FAIRFIELD ESQ^R.
CHIEF OF MAZULIPATAM.

SIR

M^r. Heath the Chief of Vizagapatam having acquainted us that he is want of a small supply of Cash for the occasions of His Settlement you will be pleased to send thither by the first Opportunity two thousand Madras Pagodas of the Ballance remaining in your hands.

We are
SIR
Your Affectionate Friends [*sic*]
GEORGE PIGOT.

FORT S^T. GEORGE
10^TH. FEB^Y. 1762.

No. 18.

To Charles Turner Esq^r^.
Chief of Cuddalore.

Sir

The Leopard Snow is now dispatched to you with sundry stores for the Garrison of Trichenopoly according to the list enclosed you are to cause them to be landed with all expedition & forward them to Trichenopoly by Bullocks which you will please to provide for that purpose on the Contractors Account.

Your Indent for Medicines is comply'd with by the Leopard but as she could not take in the other particulars you have Indented for, they will be sent to you in a few days by the Cuddalore Schooner.

As soon as the Leopard has deliver'd the stores, you are to return her to this Place.

Fort S^t^. George
17^th^. February 1762.

We are
Sir
Your Affectionate Friends
George Pigot
&c^a^. Council.

No. 19.

To Captain Alexander Barclay
of the Leopard Snow.

Sir

You are hereby directed to repair on board and make the best of your way to Cuddalore where you are to deliver the accompanying packet to the Chief there, and follow his Orders for your future Proceedings Dated in Fort S^t^. George 17^th^. Feb^ry^. 1762.

George Pigot
&c^a^. Council.

No. 20.

To the Honble Henry Vansittart Esq^r^.
President and Governour &c^a^. Council
of Fort William.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We have been unavoidably obliged to detain the Norfolk here much longer than we expected the services of the squadron employed so many of our Boats that we had but few remaining for all other demands another difficulty concurr'd to prolong her Detention the Consignments for this Presidency were so intermixed in the stowage with those for you that much time has been lost in shifting the ship there are still remaining on board some Articles consigned to us but as they cannot readily become at, We will not keep the ship any longer on that Account.

[Your] Honble Masters acquaint us they have given you [. . .] as to us concerning the manner of adjusting the Account of Freight, Demorage Damage and short Deliveries of the Norfolk We have only to refer you to the accompanying Account which we have stated here with the Captain and Owners, and to inform you that We debt your Presidency for the amount of those Articles which were consigned to us, but not deliver'd as they are to be delivered to you or in default thereof paid for, if the two Casks No. 1 & 2 Stores containing some necessary Articles for the use of our Mint should be found We beg you will be pleased to send them to us.

The Fox imported here the 15th. Instant with your Letter dated the 25th. January. As her Destination to the French Islands after calling at Fort Marlbro is now render'd unnecessary but the return of the Squadron to this Place as mentioned in our last, We shall take out a part of the Provisions here, and dispatch her with the rest of your Consignments to Fort Marlborough.

The Royal George from China arrived here the 8th. and the Admiral Watson from Manilha the 15th. Instant.

Ten Barrels of Gunpowder having been landed here out of the Stretham from Bombay in 1759 more than Invoiced. We conclude it to have been part of a Consignment to your Presidency which we have therefore credited for the same on our Book.

The Expedition to Golcondah under Colonel Ford having been undertaken from your Place We have given you Credit for the Guns and Stores which have been received from Mazulipatam, and shall bring the remainder to account in like manner.

The Redwood consigned to your Honor &ca. pr. Polly Snow in October last having been under—Invoiced (twenty Pagodas sixty two Cash) 20·62 on Candies 80. 1. 16 of that Article We have debted your [Presidency's] Account for the same.

[We] now draw on your Honour &ca. the following setts of Bills of Exchange dated the 16th. Instant.

	Setts to whom payable.	Of whom value received.	A.Rs.			C.Rs.		
1	Henry Vansittart .. Hugh Watts and Anselm Beaumont Esqrs.	Messrs. Robert Palk .. Nics. Morse & John Holland.	11039	9	6	11922	12	0
1	Hugh Watts & Anselm Beaumont Esqrs.	John Pybus Esqrs. ..	28000	—	—	30240	—	—
2	Setts amounting to	A.R.	39030	9	6	42162	12	0

We are
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most obedient humble Servants

George Pigot
&ca. Council.

Fort St. George
19th. February 1762.

List of the Packet to Fort William Pr. Ship Norfolk.

No. 1 General Letter Dated 19th. February 1762.
2 Duplicate General Letter 6th. Ditto Do.
3 Copy of the Norfolk Charterparty.
4 Copy of the Companys Instructions to Captn. Mc. Conohie.
5 Manifest of Goods and Merchandise licensed by the Committee of shipping pr. Norfolk.
6 Manifest of Private Trade landed at Fort St. George by the Captain and Officers of the Norfolk.
7 List of 31 Military on board the Norfolk with an Account of their Country, Age and Occupation.
8 Copy of the Companys Commission to John Gordon first Lieutenant of Captain Freak's Troop of Light Cavalry.
9 Account of Damaged Broad Cloth & Perpetuanoes pr. Ship Norfolk.
10 Account of Military stores Deficient pr. ship Norfolk.

11 Account of Stores Deficient pr. [ship] Norfolk.
12 Invoice of the Arr[ival . . . .] Belonging to Captn. Freaks.
13 Bill of Lading of do.
14 Acct. Current with the Owners of the ship Norfolk.
15 Copy Captn. Mr. Conokies sailing Orders.

Wm. Aldersey
Secry.

Fort St. George
19th. Febry. 1762

No. 21.

To Captain James Mc. Conokie
of the Ship Norfolk.

Sir

You are hereby ordered to repair on board your ship and make the best of your way to the River of Bengal and proceed as far as Rogues River from whence you are to forward your Packets to the President and Council of Fort William, and on no account to carry your ship higher up without their particular Directions We wish you a good Voyage and Date this in Fort St. George the 19th. day of February 1762.

George Pigot
&ca. Counci

No. 22.

To Thomas Heath Esqr.
Chief of Vizagapatam.

Sir

As You acquaint us in your Letter of the 31st. of December that an Assistant is wanted at your Settlement We have appointed Mr. George Dawson, who now proceeds to you in the Norfolk.

We are
Sir
Your Affectionate Friends
George Pigot
&ca. Council.

Fort St. George
19th. February 1762.

No. 23.

To Charles Turner Esqr.
Chief of Cuddalore.

Sir

When the Leopard Snow which sailed from hence the 17 Instant for Cuddalore has delivered the stores she has on board as directed in our Letter of that date you will order the Commander on his Return hither to call at Allumparva and receive as large a Quantity of Shells which will be ready to be delivered as he can take in and proceed to Madras without delay.

We are
Sir
Your Affectionate Friends
George Pigot
&ca. Council.

Fort St. George
23d. Febry. 1762.

No. 24.

TO PHILIP JACOB DORMIEUX ESQR.
CHIEF AND THE GENTLEMEN OF THE COUNCIL
AT PULLICAT.

GENTLEMEN

We are informed that several Vessels bound to this Place from the Northward laden with Grain have been forcibly stopt and detain'd at your Settlement and particularly that the sloop Jaggana Persaid Boosse Nocquedah from Balasore was a few days ago carried into your Port and the Nocquedah compell'd on shore where he is still detained. We are concerned that this restraint put by you on the Trade of the Coast should tell Us even to a Thought of such measures as may fully main[tain the] free navigation of all Vessels, and We have the Red[ress . . .] immediately give to the Grievance we complain of, will render it unnecessary to make any Remonstrance on this subject to the Admiral of His Majestys Fleet.

We are
GENTLEMEN
Your Most Obedient Servts.
GEORGE PIGOT
&CA. COUNCIL.

FORT ST. GEORGE
26TH. FEBRY. 1762.

No. 25.

TO CHARLES TURNER ESQR.
CHIEF AT CUDDALORE.

SIR

We have received your Letter dated 16th. Instant.

As soon as Mr. Call's presence at Madras can be dispensed with he shall proceed to Cuddalore and make an Estimate of the Expence attending the repairs to the Factory House and Godowns, you purpose to have made in the meantime you are to suspend making any Additions, or alterations whatever.

We are
SIR
Your Affectionate Friends
GEORGE PIGOT
&CA. COUNCIL.

FORT ST. GEORGE
26TH. FEBRY. 1762.

No. 26.

TO SAMUEL ARDLEY ESQR.
DEPUTY GOVERNOUR AT FORT MARLBOROUGH
OR THE AGENT RESIDING THERE FOR THE TIME BEING.

SIR

The Ossterly sail'd for Fort Marlborough the 5th. of [January] with our Letters dated the 1st and 3d. of that month of which Duplicate are [enclosed.]

We now dispatch to you the Fox and Prince Henry Packet the former arrived here from Bengal the 15th. Instant with sundry supplies for the West Coast, also a Quantity of Provisions intended for the French Islands as

you will be informed by the accompanying Packet from the President and Council of Fort Wlliam. The Destination of the Fox to the Islands being now rendered unecessary [*sic*] by the return of the squadron to this Place as mentioned hereafter, We have taken out a part of the Provisions for which we shall Credit Fort Marlborough.

After having landed from the Fox the Consignments by her for your Place, which must be done with the utmost Expedition you are to send her to Batavia to take in a Quantity of Timber and Plank with which she is to return to this Port in Order to be dispatchd to China the ensuing season. Our Letter to the Resident at Batavia is enclosed under a flying seal for your more particular Information.

The fox being in want of Kintledge We have put on Board 80 Tons of Salt Petre which the Captain has agreed to take on the Terms of Kintledge in the China Ships from Europe.

The Prince Henry Packet arrived here the 14th. January from Madagascar with sixty slaves on board which are now sent on her for the service of the West Coast We have taken out here the remaining Part of her slaving Cargoe except a few Barrels of Gun Powder for the ships Use, and the Shackles &c^{a}. for the slaves The Packet received by the Prince Henry from the Court of Directors Directed to the President and Council of Fort Marlborough is forwarded herewith.

After having provided in the Article of Pepper for the Ossterly and Earl Temple as directed in our Instructions to you at your Departure from Madras you are to put in at the Prince Henry as much as she can receive, and Dispatch her to us by the 15th. of June at furthest.

You will observe by a Letter to the Resident at Batavia that we have sent four Chests of silver in the Fox for the purchase of Timbers &c^{a}. there and we consign to you on the Fox fourteen Chests to replace those landed here from the Ossterly agreeable to the Bills of Lading enclosed which you are to apply towards the Disbursements of your Garrison and the Occasions of the Investment.

M^{r}. Henry Russel and Francis Mannington belonging to the West Coast Establishment proceed to their Station by this opportunity and several of the Gentlemen who were taken by the Court D'Estaing, return also to settle their private Concerns a List of whom comes in the Packet. The Captains are to be allowed at the rate of thirty Pagodas each for their Passage as was settled for those who went in the Earl Temple and Plassey.

Enclosed you will receive an Account of sundry stores which have been brought here from Mallacca by the Leopard Snow being part of the Consignments for your Place which were landed there from the Duke of Richmond and Norfolk, and for which your Settlement will have due Credit on our Books. and as it is probable the Earl Temple which We conclude you have dispatched to Mallacca will be able to bring the whole of what is remaining there of those Consignments We forward to you the Invoices thereof for your Guidance in bringing them to Account.

Enclosed We send you an Account of sundry Disbursements defrayed by the Supra Cargoes in China on Account the Stores and Miltary landed from the ships Duke of Richmond and Norfolk at Mallacca for which We have debited Fort Marlborough in our Books.

The Norfolk from England imported the 9th. of January and all the ships for Bombay were by our last advices from that side arrived, except the General Lawrence.

Admiral Cornish arrived here towards the end of January with his Majestys ships the Norfolk, Elizabeth, Lenox, Grafton, America, Weymouth and Falmouth and from what we have already said in the former part of the

Letter, the Letters address'd to the Commanding Officers of the Fleet and the Navy at the Islands enclosed in the Packet to you from Bengal are of no further use

The Royal George from China arrived here the 8th. and the Admiral Watson from Manilha the 15th. Instant.

We are
SIR
Your Affectionate Friends
GEORGE PIGOT &CA. COUNCIL.

FORT ST. GEORGE
7TH. MARCH 1762

P.S.—The Coals consigned by the Prince Henry to Fort Marlborough having been landed here, We shall give your Settlement due Credit for the Same.

No. 27.

TO RANDOLPH MARRIOTT ESQR.
RESIDENT AT BATAVIA
OR TO THE RESIDENT THERE FOR THE TIME BEING.

SIR

We now dispatch the Ship Fox to Fort Marlborough with Sundry Consignments for that place after the delivery of which the Chief there has directions to send her to Batavia to purchase a Quantity of Timber and Plank on the Honble Companys Account, for this purpose We have sent in the Fox four Chests of Silver to be invested in these Articles, you will accordingly on the arrival of that ship provide the same with all Diligence, and for your Guidance as to the sorts and Dimensions of the Timber and Planks we are desirous to have purchased. We enclose as List thereof to which We refer.

In case you should not be able to procure a sufficiency of timber and Planks to answer the whole of this Consignment the remaining part is to be laid out in the purchase of Arrack. Your utmost attention must be given in the execution of this Trust, and that you may be the better enabled to perform the same. We enclose a Letter to the General and Council requesting of them to yield you all necessary assistance.

The Fox being intended for China this season We hope you will be able to Dispatch her from Batavia so as to arrive here by the end of June.

We are
SIR
Your Affectionate Friends
GEORGE PIGOT &CA COUNCIL.

FORT ST. GEORGE
7TH. MARCH 1762.

No. 28.

To His Excellency Petrus Albertus Vander Para General of Infantry in the Service of the States of the United Netherlands. Governour General of the Netherlands India &c^{a}. &c^{a}. &c^{a}. And to the Gentlemen of the Council at Batavia.

May it please Your Excellency and Gentlemen

We have had the honor to write to you in Duplicate under date the 16th. of November last wherein we acquainted you of our having sent M^{r}. Ardley one of the Members of our Council to Fort Marlborough to reestablish our Honble Masters Possessions on the West Coast of Sumatra.

We take this Opportunity to acknowledge the Obligation we lay under to M^{r}. Boclen your Chief at Mallacca for the Civility our servants received the last year from him and we beg your Assistance in furnishing this ship the Fox with what she may want from Batavia.

We have the honor to be
May it please Your Excellency and Gentlemen
Your most obedient humble Servants
George Pigot &c^{a}. Council.

Fort S^{t}. George
7th. March 1762.

No. 29.

To Captain Hume
of the Ship Fox.

Sir

You are hereby directed to repair on board and make the best of your way to Fort Marlborough on the West Coast of Sumatra, where you are to deliver the accompanying Packet to Samuel Ardley Esq^{r}. Deputy Governour, or the Agent residing there for the time being whose Orders you are to follow for your future proceedings.

George Pigot &c^{a}. Council.

Dated in Fort S^{t}. George the 8th. March 1762.

The Same to Captain Benjamin Reynolds of the Prince Henry Packet Dated the 8th. March 1762.

List of the Packet to Fort Marlbro p^{r}. Ship Fox.

No. 1 General Letter dated 7th. March 1762.
2 Dupl. D^{o}. 7th. January 1762.
3 D^{o}. Additional D^{o}. 3 D^{o}.
4 Invoice of 14 Chests of Treasure p^{r}. Ship Fox.
5 First Bill of Lading of D^{o}.
6 Second Bill of Lading of the Ossterly to Fort Marlbró.
7 Account of Military Stores received from Mallacca by the Snow Leopard.
8 Dup^{l}. Copy Invoice of the Snow Leopard from Mallacca.
9 Dup^{l}. Copy Letter from M^{r}. Frazer to Fort S^{t}. George Dated 14th. July 1761.
10 Dup^{l}. Copy General Letter from Mallacca to Fort S^{t}. George dated 13th. August 1761.
11 Dup^{l}. M^{r}. Farers Account of Expences incurred at Mallacca.
12 Dup^{l}. M^{r}. Russells account of Expences incurred at Mallacca & Atcheen.

13 Dup^{l}. Extract of a General Letter from Bombay dated 12th. Nov^{r}. 1761.

14 Dup^{l}. Extract of a General Letter from Bengal dated 7 Dec^{r}. 1761.

15 Dup^{l}. Extract of a General Letter from the Court of Directors to Fort William dated 18th. March 1761.

16 Dup^{l}. Extract of a General Letter from Fort William to the Court of Directors dated 12th. Nov^{r}. 1761.

17 Dup^{l}. Account of Goods remaining at Mallacca.

18 Packet from Fort William Directed to the Residing Chief at Fort Marlbro.

19 Packet from Europe p^{r}. Duke of Richmond.

20 Copy Captain Humes Sailing Orders.

21 Packet to M^{r}. Randolph Marriott Resident at Batavia.

22 List of Passengers to Marlbro p^{r}. Ship Fox.

WM. ALDERSEY,
Secretary.

FORT ST. GEORGE
7TH. MARCH 1762.

LIST OF THE PACKET TO FORT MARLBRO PR. SHIP PRINCE HENRY.

N^{o}. 1 General Letter dated 7th. March 1762.

2 Second Bills of Lading of Treasure p^{r}. ship Fox.

3 Packet from Europe p^{r}. ship Prince Henry.

4 Copy Captain Reynolds sailing Orders.

5 Dup^{l}. Packet to M^{r}. Randolph Marriott Resident at Batavia.

6 List of Passengers to Fort Marlbro p^{r}. ship Prince Henry Packet.

7 Dup^{l}. List of Military Stores rec'd from Mallacca P^{r}. Snow Leopard.

8 Invoice of one Cask wrought Iron.

9 Bills of Lading of D^{o}.

WM. ALDERSEY,
Secretary.

FORT ST. GEORGE
7TH. MARCH 1761.

LIST OF THE PACKET TO MR. RANDOLPH MARRIOTT RESIDENT AT BATAVIA P SHIP FOX.

N^{o}. 1 General Letter dated 7th. March 1762.

2 Invoice of 4 Chests of Treasure p^{r}. Ship Fox.

3 First Bills of Lading of D^{o}.

4 General Letter to the General and Council at Batavia Dated 7th March.

5 Engineers Indent for Timbers & Plank to be sent from Batavia p^{r} ship Fox.

WM. ALDERSEY.
Secretary.

FORT ST. GEORGE
7TH. MARCH 1762.

LIST OF THE PACKET TO MR. RANDOLPH MARRIOT RESIDENT AT BATAVIA PR. SHIP PRINCE HENRY.

No. 1 Duplicate General Letter dated 7 March 1762.
2 Second Bills of Lading of 4 Chests of Treasure pr. Ship Fox.
3 Duplicate General Letter to the General & Council Batavia dated 7th. March.
Do. Engineers Indent for Timbers and Plank to be sent from Batavia pr. Ship Fox.

WM. ALDERSEY,
Secretary.

FORT ST. GEORGE
7TH. MARCH 1762.

No. 30.

TO THOMAS WHITEHILL ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. COUNCIL AT ANJENGO.

GENTLEMEN

We have received from Mahomed Usoff Cawn the Renter of Madura and Tinnevelly, from Musters of Cloths which are manufactured in the Trinnevelly Country with an Account of their Prices and the Measures he has taken to provide a Quantity on the Companys Account. We inclose an Extract from Mahomud Usoff Cawn's Letter on this subject for your more particular Information, accompanyed with the several Musters of the Cloth If they will answer in all respects for your Investment you will be pleased to advise us and we will endeavour to assist in providing a Quantity.

We are
GENTLEMEN
Your affectionate friends
GEORGE PIGOT &CA. COUNCIL.

FORT ST. GEORGE
8TH. MARCH 1762.

No. 31.

TO CHARLES TURNER ESQR.
CHIEF AT CUDDALORE.

SIR

Agreeable to what we wrote to you the 17th. of last month The Cuddalore schooner is now dispatch'd to you with the stores you indented for, and the remainder of those for Trichenopoly according to the respective Lists enclosed.

When the stores by the Cuddalore Schooner are landed, you are to return her to this Place directing the Commander to call at Allumparva to take in as many shells for Chunam as she can receive in the same manner as you were directed regarding the Leopard which return'd here yesterday with your Letter of the 26th.

We are
SIR
Your affectionate friends
GEORGE PIGOT &CA. COUNCIL.

FORT ST. GEORGE
10TH. MARCH 1762.

No. 32.

To Mr. William Manwaring
Commanding the Cuddalore Schooner.

Sir

You are hereby directed to repair on board and make the best of your way to Cuddalore where you are to deliver the accompanying Letter to the Chief there and follow his orders for your future Proceedings.
Dated in Fort St. George the 10th. March 1762.

George Pigot &ca. Council.

List of the Packet to Cuddalore Pr. Cuddalore Schooner.

No. 1 General Letter to Charles Turner Esqr. dated 10th. March 1762.
2 Invoice of Schooner Cuddalore.
3 List of Stores Laden on the Schooner Cuddalore for the Garrison of Trichenopoly.
4 Bills of Lading.
5 Copy Captain Manwarin's Sailing Orders.

Wm. Aldersey,
Secretary.

Fort St. George
10th. March 1762.

No. 33.

To Richard Fairfield Esqr.
Chief of Mazulipatam.

Sir

We have received your Letter dated the 20th. Feby. and 2d. Instant with the Accounts for last Month enclosed in the latter also an Indent for stores which shall be complied with.

As the Cowles for the Companys Farms to the Northward expire the 1st. of June next We think it proper that Advertisements should be publish'd both at Madras & Mazulipatam for reletting [*sic*] them you will therefore on receipt thereof cause Publick Notice to be given that seal'd Proposals will be received for renting out the several Districts from the expiration of the present Cowles for the Term of one Year, which proposals are to be delivered to you in time to be sent to us by the 26th. day of April next when they will be opened with such as may be given in here and the rent be given to the highest Bidder provided they be persons of known substance and Credit and for our better guidance herein you will make yourself acquainted and inform us of the Circumstances and Characters of the Persons who may deliver in Proposals on this Occasion.

Sir
We are
Your affectionate Friends
George Pigot &ca. Council.

Fort St. George
11th. March 1762.

No. 34.

To Richard Fairfield Esqr.
Chief of Mazulipatam.

Sir

As we hope to be able to take measures for the Provision of an Investment at the several subordinates we enclose an Extract from the Company's last Commands on that subject with a List of the Goods to be provided at Mazulipatam & Bandarmalanka Musters of the different Sortments are also now sent, you will therefore on receipt hereof cause Publick Advertisements to be made that seal'd Proposals will be received for providing the same on the cheapest Terms which Proposals you are to receive and transmit to us as soon as possible for our final determination.

You are to apprize the Merchants that the Money is to be paid on delivery of the Goods and not any advances made on Account of the Investment.

As Mr. Heath will also be furnish'd with our Instructions concerning an Investment at Vizagapatam you are to send to him ten thousand Madras Pagodas of the Ballance in your hands of the remainder you will convey by Peons to Madras twenty thousand unless you can remit to that Amount by Bill on reasonable terms which Method if practicable is to be perferr'd.

We are
Sir
Your affectionate Friends
George Pigot &ca. Council.

Fort St. George
11th. March 1762.

No. 35.

To Thomas Heath Esqr.
Chief of Vizagapatam.

Sir

As we shall in a few days send you Instructions concerning the Provision of an Investment at Vizagapatam We have directed Mr. Fairfield to send you ten thousand Madras Pagodas from Mazulipatam to be employed on that Account when you receive our final Directions on the subject.

We are
Sir
Your affectionate friend
George Pigot &ca. Counc

Fort St. George
11th. March 1762.

No. 36.

To the Honble Charles Crommelin Esqr.
President and Governor &ca. Council.
at Bombay.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We have the pleasure to acquaint you that Chesterfield arrived here the 14th. Instant she left England the 5th. of July in Company with the General Lawrence bound to your side—they put in at Rio de Janiero from whence they saild the 8th. November & Parted Company the same day.

In the Packet from our Honble Masters by the Chesterfield came enclosed one for your Honor &c^{a}. which we forward herewith.

The President and Council of Fort William have consigned to us five Lacks of Rupees which they desire may be employed in compleating the stock of any ships to China this season that may require it. We purpose that the ships Earl Temple, Ossterly and Fox be dispatched the ensuing season to China as Casual ships. In that case the money We have received from Bengal will enable us to furnish them with a sufficient stock, and we hope besides to have it in our power to provide for another ship in case your Honour &c^{a}. should have one remaining on hand and think proper to employ her in the same way.

The Fox arrived here from Bengal the 15th. Feb^{ry}. and sail'd the 7th. of this Month with the Prince Henry Packet for Fort Marlborough.

We transmit to you herewith an Account of Money advanced and stores supplied the Ship Fattee Salam during her stay at this Place for which We shall debit your Presidency.

Ten Barrels of Gunpowder having been landed here out of the Stretham from Bombay in 1759 more than Invoiced We conclude it to have been part of a Consignment intended for Bengal and desire you will give us information on this subject.

We enclose herewith a Reply to the several Queeries transmitted with your Letter of the 5th. Febr^{y}. regarding Allowances to His Majesty's Troops framed on the Practice observed here in like cases in which We have endeavoured to be as explicit as possible and We hope will make it unnecessary for you to make further Reference to us on this subject.

His Majestys Ships the Falmouth & America sail'd hence for Bombay the 8th. of Febr^{y}.

We are
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most obedient humble Servants
GEORGE PIGOT &C^{A}. COUNCIL.

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE
25TH. MARCH 1762.

LIST OF THE PACKET TO BOMBAY P^{R}. PATTAMAR DISPATCHED 25TH. MARCH 1762.

N^{o}. 1 General Letter . . . dated 25th. March 1762.
2 Duplicate General Letter . . . dated 8th. Febr^{y}. 1762.
3 Account of Money advanced and stores supplied the Fatte Salam at Fort S^{t}. George.
4 Reply to the Queeries received from the President and Council of Bombay with their General Letter dated 5th. Febr^{y}. 1762.
5 Packet from the Honble Court of Directors To the President and Cou^{l}. of Bombay received p^{r}. Chesterfield.
6 Packet from Fort W^{m}. directed to the President and Council of Bombay.

WILLIAM ALDERSEY,
Secretary.

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE
25TH. MARCH 1762.

No. 37.

To WILLIAM HORNBY ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. COUNCIL AT TELLLICHERRY.

GENTLEMEN

We have received your letter dated 25th. of January.

Our Honble Masters ship the Norfolk imported the 10th. January.

The Chesterfield arrived the 14th. Instant. She left England the 5th. July in company with the General Lawrence bound to your side they put in at Rio Janeiro from whence they sail'd the 8th. November and parted Company the same day.

FORT ST. GEORGE
25TH. MARCH 1762.

We are
GENTLEMEN
Your affectionate friends
GEORGE PIGOT &CA. COUNCIL.

No. 38.

To THOMAS WHITEHILL ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. COUNCIL AT ANJENGO.

GENTLEMEN

Enclosed is Duplicate of our last by His Majestys Ship the Falmouth dated the 8th. of last Month.

Our Honble Masters ship the Norfolk imported the 10th. of January.

The Chesterfield arrived here the 14th. Instant she left England the 5th. July in company with the General Lawrence bound to your side they put in at Rio Janneioro from whence they sail'd the 8th. November and parted Company the same day.

FORT ST. GEORGE
25TH. MARCH 1762.

We are
GENTLEMEN
Your Affectionate Friends
GEORGE PIGOT &CA. COUNCIL.

No. 39.

To RICHARD FAIRFIELD ESQR.
CHIEF OF MAZULIPATAM.

SIR

By the Leopard Snow we forward to you Musters of the several Sortment of Goods to be provided at Mazulipatam and Bandermalanka agreable to th List Enclosed in our Letter of the 11th. Instant, except of the Batteelas, whic should be as fine as can be made, you will therefore procure samples of each sor & also of the Chay Goods proposed to be provided and send to us as soon a possible with the Proposal of your Merchants for providing them.

We also forward you by this Opportunity the several Articles of the Inden accompanying your Letter of the 2d. Instant.

We are
GEORGE PIGOT &CA. COUNCII
SIR
Your Affectionate Friend
GEORGE PIGOT &CA. COUNCIL.

FORT ST. GEORGE
25TH. MARCH 1762.

LIST OF GOODS TO BE PROVIDED AT MAZULIPATAM AND BANDARMALANKA ON ACCOUNT THE HONBLE COMPANYS INVESTMENT FOR THE CURRENT YEAR.

	Pieces.
Betteelas Flower'd 2 Covids Broad 32 Covids long	200
Ditto plain d°. d°.	500
Ditto border'd Handkerchiefs—	
2 covid Square	200
16 Flanks in a piece	
the Borders to be a little varied CALLOWAPORES of a bright Red—	
16 Covids long	500
2 do. Broad &c..	
ROMALLS MAZULIPATAM without Glazing	1500
N.B.— There have been provided by Madras merchants Viz— No. 1 @ Pagodas 40 13 40 No. 2 „ „ 38	
SASTRACUNDIES of bright Red—	2000

ALLEJARS a few pieces of each sort to inform the Company at what rate they can be provided.

N°. 40.

To THOMAS HEATH ESQR.
CHIEF OF VIZAGAPATAM.

SIR

We acquainted you in a Letter of the 11th. Instant that we had sent Directions to Mr. Fairfield to convey to you from Mazulipatam ten thousand Pagodas for the purposes of the Investment to be made at Vizagapatam.

We now send to you by the Leopard Snow such Musters of the Cloth to be provided as We have been able to procure not having any in our Warehouse by the enclosed statement you will perceive how far they are deficient in Threads & how many calls each Piece shou'd contain and we must particularly recommend to you to observe that the Lengths and Breadths are strictly kept up to as well as the number of Thread and the Quality of the different Sortments.

Enclosed is an Extract from the Companys last Commands on the subject of the Investment to be provided at the Subordinates and you are accordingly on receipt hereof to cause Publick Advertisements to be made that seal'd Proposals will be received for providing Long Cloth on the Companys Account on the Cheapest Terms taking the Musters We have sent & the Remarks we have made, for your Guide which Proposals you are to transmit to us as soon as possible for our final determination and you will take care to send us by the first opportunity a Muster Piece of each sortment to be provided.

You are to apprize the Merchants that the Money is to be paid on delivery, of the Goods, and not any advances made on Account of the Investment.

FORT ST. GEORGE
25TH. MARCH 1762.

We are
SIR
Your Affectionate Friends
GEORGE PIGOT &CA. COUNCIL.

No. 41.

To the Honble Henry Vansittart Esqr.
President and Governour &ca. Council
at Fort William.

Honble Sir & Sirs,

Since writing to you by the Norfolk the 19th. of Last Month we have received by the Sabut Jung and Chittagong Snow your Letters dated 1st. and 16th. Febry and Duplicates of those you mention to have wrote by the Warren dated 15th.

We now dispatch to you the Leopard Snow with some great Guns and Shot, as pr. Invoice and Bill of Lading enclosed, and shall take every Opportunity to send further supplies to replace those lost in the Eattee Saram. The Leopard is first to call at Mazulipatam & Vizagapatam.

The Rupees consigned to us by the Sabut Jung turn out right in weight but are 3 Rupees different in Tale, at the foot of your Invoice is a Calculation of what they would produce if coin'd into Arcot Rupees, by which it appears that they would turn out something more than they are Invoiced at, We have had them assay'd and find them to be only 8 dwts better than standard at which rate there will be a Loss of near 4½ per cent. We enclosed for your Information a Copy of the Calculation at the foot of your Invoice and a Calculation of the produce in our Mint.

We have acquainted the Gentlemen at Bombay that we purpose to Dispatch the Earl Temple Ossterly and Fox to China the ensuing season as Casual ships. The Letter you transmitted to us under a flying Seal to the President and Council there will be forwarded this Evening by Pattamar.

We shall by a future opportunity communicate to you our Sentiments on the Representations mention'd in your Letter of the 16th. Febry concerning the late Disputes with the King of Cudda.

The Chesterfield arrived here the 14th. Instant she left England the 5th. of July in company with the General Lawrence for Bombay they put in at Rio Janeiro from whence they sail'd the 8th. November and parted Company the same day.

We shall use all Possible Expedition in landing the Consignments by the Chesterfield for this Place and then dispatch her to Fort William with the Packets for your Presidency. The Private Letters are now forwarded by the Leopard.

The Officer of Colonel Slootis Regiment who embark'd for Bengal in the Norfolk having objected to Certify the Accounts of Stores issued for the use of that Regiment. We now transmit them to you in the Packet with the vouchers for Colonel Coote to sign and beg that you will be pleased to tender them to him for that purpose.

We did not provide the Mill Stones you desired in your Letter of the 3d. of October for the use of your works imagining you would have been supplied by the Fox or Warren from Europe as you repeat the Request in your Letter of the 1st. of Febry. We have ordered them to be prepared according to the Dimensions of the Models you sent to us.

We now draw on your Honour &ca. a Sett of Bills of Exchange payable to the Honble Henry Vansittart Esqr. for Current Rupees two thousand two hundred and sixty eight for value received of Nicholas Morse Esqr. which we request you will duely honor.

Fort St. George
25th. March 1762.

We are
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your Most Obedient Humble Servants
George Pigot &ca. Council.

No. 42.

To Captain Alexander Barclay
of the Snow Leopard.

Sir

You are hereby directed to repair on board and make the best of your way to Mazulipatam where after landing the stores you have for that Settlement you are to proceed to Vizagapatam and deliver to the Chief the Packet & Parcels herewith delivered to you after which you are to make the best of your way to Bengal and follow the Orders of the President and Council there for your future Proceedings.

Dated in Fort St. George 25 March 1762.

George Pigot &ca. Council.

List of the Packet to Fort William Pr. Snow Leopard.

No. 1 General Letter dated 25 March 1762.
2 Duplicate General Letter dated 19 Febry. 1762.
3 Invoice of Sundries to Fort William pr. Snow Leopard.
4 Bills of Lading of Do.
5 Account Coinage of 100 Ozs. of Six Sun Sicca Rupees in Madras mint.
6 Account of Military Stores supplied His Majesty's 84th. Regiment from 30th. Septr. 1759 to 30th. Novr. 1761.
7 Dupl. Do.
8 Voucher for Do.
9 Account of Sundry Stores supplied the 84th. Regmt. in 3 Copies.
10 Vouchers for Do.
11 Account of Expences incurred in Fort St. George Hospital by His Majesty's 84th. Regiment from 31st. of August to 31st. December 1761 in 3 Copies.
12 Dupl. Account of Military Stores Deficient pr. ship Norfolk.
13 Dupl. Account of Stores Deficient pr. Do.
14 Do. Account of Damaged Broad Cloth &ca. Do.
15 Copy Captain Barclay's Sailing Orders.

Fort St. George 25th. March 1762.

William Aldersey
Secretary.

No. 43.

To the Honble Henry Vansittart Esqr.
President and Governour &ca. Council
at Fort William.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We enclose Duplicate of our last Letter by the Leopard Snow dated 5 March.

The Warren arrived here the 27th. of last Month with Duplicate of your Letter dated 26th. Febry. We have received since yours of the 1st. March and Duplicate of your Letter of the 4th. of that Month.

The want of Salt Petre having prevented our dispatching the Admiral Watson to European Company with the Warren as we had Intended in order however to ease the Company's Risque by the Warren. We have taken out a part of the most valuable Bales of her Cargo from Bengal & are replacing them with such as we have in Warehouse to the amount of 70 Tons and shall dispatch her from hence the 15th. of the Month.

Your Letter to Bombay enclosed in yours of the 26th. Febry has been forwarded by Pattamar.

We now draw on your Honor &ca. two Setts of Bills of Exchange as hereunder mentioned.

Date.	Setts.	To whom payable.	Of whom Value recd.	ARs.	CRs.
29 March.	1	Messr. Walls & Beaumont.	John Pybus Esqr. ..	12250	13230
12 April.	1	Woliby Hussein Mahomud.	Thomas Pelling & John de Fries.	5950	6426
				18,200	19,656

Fort Sr. George
13th. April 1762.

We are
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient humble Servants
George Pigot &ca. Council.

No. 44.

To Charles Turner Esqr.
Chief of Cuddalore.

Sir

The several Musters of the Goods to be provided to the Southward for the Investment which you have sent to Madras having been examined are now returned to you by Coolies with the Remarks of the Export Warehousekeeper thereon, whereby you will perceive in what Respects they are difficient in Quality, Length Breadth and number of Threads and the difference in the Price they were formerly, and are now rated at. We also enclose an Extract from the Companys last Commands on the subject of the Investment agreable to which you will cause Publick Advertisements to be made that such Persons who are inclin'd to provide the Companys Investment must deliver in seal'd Proposals by the 15th. of May setting forth the Terms according to the Musters abovemention'd they will engage for in the proportions specifyed in the accompanying List and you are to Insert that unless the Cloth corresponds in every respect with the Musters & remarks above referr'd to it will be rejected.

The Proposals you may receive in consequence are to be transmitted to us for our Determination as soon as possible.

You are to apprize the Merchants that the Money is to be paid on delivery of the Goods and that no advances are to be made on account the Investment.

Fort St. George
23d. April 1762.

We are
Sir
Your affectionate friends
George Pigot &ca. Council.

No. 45.

To the Honble Henry Vansittart Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We wrote to you the 13th. Instant. The Nelly Snow is since arrived with our Letter Dated the 4th. of last month.

We now dispatch to you the Cuddalore Schooner with Cany. Md. lb. 92. 5. 13 of Redwood as pr. Invoice & Bill of Lading enclosed by the Chesterfield we shall consign to you a further supply.

Having communicated to Captain Lang the Complaint made against him mentioned in your Letter of the 4th. March regarding the Cloathing of the Battalion of Seapoys he commanded when at Calcutta he has given in his Reply thereto a Copy of which comes enclosed.

Our Honble Masters ship London Packet arrived here yesterday. She left England the 25th. of November. By her we have received a Packet for your Presidency which we now enclose.

The Company having expressed their acknowledgements for the services resulting to their Affairs by the Reduction of Pondicherry and desired that their thanks might be returned to all who were concerned in that Event. We enclose an Extract from their General Letter on this Subject and desire you will be pleased to communicate the same to Colonel Coote.

We enclose a Letter received in the Packet from the Secretary at War to Colonel Coote which you will be pleased to deliver to him.

Fort St. George
27th. April 1762.

We are
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most obedient humble Servants
George Pigot, *Govr.*

No. 46.

To Mr. William Manwaring
Commanding the Cuddalore Schooner.

Sir

You are hereby directed to repair on board and make the best of your way to the Port of Calcutta in Bengal, where on your arrival you are to deliver the accompanying Packet to the President and Council there whose orders you are to follow for your future Proceedings.

Dated in Fort St. George the 28th. of April 1762.

George Pigot &ca. Council.

List of the Packet to Fort William Pr. Schooner Cuddalore.

No. 1 General Letter Dated 28th. April 1762.
2 Dupl. Do. . . . 13th. Do.
3 Invoice of Redwood pr. Schooner Cuddalore.
4 Bill of Lading Do.
5 Company's General Letter to Fort William pr. Ship London.
6 Letter to Colonel Coote received pr. London.
7 Copy Letter from Captain Lang dated 27th. April 1762.
8 The 27th. Para. of the Company's General Letter recd pr. London.
9 Copy Captain Manwarings Sailing Orders.

William Aldersey,
Secretary.

Fort St. George
29th. Apl. 1762.

No. 47.

To the Honble Charles Crommelin Esqr.
President & Govr. & Council at Bombay.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We wrote to you by Pattamar the 25th. of last Month of which Duplicate is enclosed.

Our Honble Masters ship London Packet arrived here yesterday, she left England the 25th. Novr. The material advices We have reced by her are detained in the accompanying Extracts from the Companys General Letter to this Presidency dated the 7th. of October.

The Warren from Bengal came in the 27th. of last Month and sail'd hence for Great Britain with a full Loading the 21st. Instant.

Fort St. George
28th. April 1762.

We are
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most obedient humble Servants
George Pigot.
Stringer Lawrence.
Robt. Palk.
Chas. Bourchier.
Dawsonne Drake.
Jos: Dupre.
Jas. Alexander.

List of the Packet to Bombay Pr. Pattamar.

No. 1 General Letter dated 28th. April 1762.
2 Dupl. Do. dated 25th. March 1762.
3 The 7th. 15th. 16th. 17th. 22d. 23d. 25th. & 26th. paragraphs of the Companys General Letter pr. London.
4 Duplicate account of Money & Stores supplied the Fatta Salam.
5 Duplicate Copy of the Reply to the Queeries from Bombay regarding allowance to the Military.
6 The Companys General Letter to Bombay pr. London.
7 General from Bengal to the President & Council of Bombay.

Wm. Aldersey.
Secy.

Fort St. George
28th. Aprl. 1762.

No. 48.

To Charles Turner Esq^r^.
Chief of Cuddalore.

Sir

We received by the Phœnix Schooner the Money you sent hither by her as mentioned in your Letter of the 7^th^. Ultimo being sixteen hundred Pagodas 1600 – –; in Gold and fanams twenty eight thousand eight Hundred (28,800).

Your Letter of the 15^th^. has also come to hand with your Accounts for the Month of March enclosed.

Fort St. George
3^rd^. May 1762.

We are
Sir
Your affectionate Friends
George Pigot &c^a^. Council.

No. 49.

To the Honble Henry Vansittart Esq^r^.
President & Governor &c^a^. Council
of Fort William.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We wrote to you under date the 27^th^. Ultimo by the Cuddalore Schooner of which duplicate accompanies this and we now dispatch the Chesterfield with a supply of Redwood as p^r^. Invoice and Bills of Lading enclosed.

We take this opportunity of sending also some great Guns and shot to replace those for you which were lost in the Fattee Salam. The long Detention of the Chesterfield has been occasion'd by the Consignments by her for this Place being intermixed with those for your Presidency in the same manner as those by the Norfolk and the time required to embark the Redwood & Heavy Stores, the latter of which we were unwilling to loose so favourable an Opportunity of conveying to you.

Enclosed is a stated Account with the Captain and Owners of the Chesterfield to this day and we have only to refer to the Orders and Directions of our Honble Masters to you on this subject for the final adjusting of her Accounts.

The several Packets received from Captain Marchand for your Presidency come Numbers in the Packet.

We transmit herewith copy of a Letter from John Lewis dated at Rangoon setting forth that he was in the Companys Service at the Negrais and taken Prisoner there & being afterwards in great distress borrowed 50 Tecalls of Pegue Silver of Capt. Nicholas Cristian which desired might be paid here and We have complied therewith.

We are to request you will present to Colonel Coote the Accompanying Accounts of Stores supplied His Majesty's 84^th^. Regiment at Madras to be signed by him.

Fort St. George
3^d^. May 1762.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your Most Obedient Humble Sert.
George Pigot &c^a^. Council.

N°. 50.

To Captain Willoughby Marchant
of the Ship Chesterfield.

Sir

You are hereby ordered to repair on board your Ship and make the best of your way to the River of Bengal and proceed as far as Rogues River from whence you are to forward the Packet herewith delivered to you to the President & Council of Fort William and on no account to carry your Ship higher up without their particular Directions We wish you a good Voyage & date this in Fort S^{t}. George the 4th. day of May 1762.

George Pigot &c^{a}. Council.

List of the Packet to Fort William p^{r}. Ship Chesterfield.

N°. 1 Gen^{l}. Letter dated 3^{d}. May 1762.
2 Dup^{l}. D°. 27 April 1762.
3 Invoice of Ship Chesterfield to Fort William.
4 Bill of Lading of D°.
5 Stated Account with the Owners of the Chesterfield.
6 Copy Chesterfields Charter Party.
7 Copy Companys Instructions to Cap^{n}. Willoughby Marchant Ship Chesterfield.
8 Manifest of Goods &c^{a}. p^{r}. ship Chesterfield.
9 A List of 39 Soldiers p^{r}. ship Chesterfield.
10 Copy Company's Commission to John Treake Esq^{r}. Cap^{n}. of Lig Cavalry.
11 D°. to M^{r}. William Smith 2 Lieut. of D°.
12 D°. to M^{r}. John Mair Cornet of D°.
13 Copy of a Letter from John Lewis at Rangoon.
14 Dup^{l}. Copy 27 Para. of the Companys General Letter rec^{d}. p^{r}. London.
15 Dup^{l}. Copy Letter from Cap^{t}. Lang Dated 27th. April 1762.
16 Three Packets Directed to the President & Council at Fort William received p^{r}. Chesterfield in the Box apart.
17 Two Packets Directed to the Governor for the time being at Fort William rec^{d}. p^{r}. Chesterfield in the Box apart.
18 Account of Stores Supplied the 84th. Regiment from the 13th. Nov^{r}. 1759 to 30 November 1761 in three Copies to be returnd by first Conveyance.
19 Patterns of Broad Cloath and Long Ells for Fort William p^{r}. Chesterfield in the Box apart.
20 Copy Captain Marchants Sailing Orders.

Fort S^{t}. George 4th. May 1762.

William Aldersey,
Secre^{y}.

No. 51.

To the Honble Henry Vansittart Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
of Fort William.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We received this day Duplicate of your Letters of the 1st. of April, neither the Prince Edward nor the Fort St. George are yet arrived.

The Royal George being engaged for a Voyage to the Eastward and the Admiral Watson intended to carry over to the West Coast Mr. Carter and the other Gentlemen belonging to that Presidency with their Effects it is not in our power to send you either of those ships, but We apprehend that the difficulty you are under in respect to the time limited by Charterparty for the dispatch from your settlement of a Charter'd Ship, may be easily removed for tho you are not at liberty to dispatch such a ship for Europe before the 21st November you are not under any limitation as to the time of dispatching Charter'd Ships to Us and we are not limited in the time of dispatching them to Europe so that if you could load the Quantity of Goods you intend for the Royal George or Admiral Watson, on board of a Charter'd Ship and dispatch & cons'd her to us so as to arrive here as early as possible in September [we] might fill her up and dispatch her to Europe in that Month. We observe by the List of Ships intended for India this Season the Tilbury was to Sail the beginning of December. We therefore expect her here in this or next Month, should she arrive she sh[ould] without delay be sent down to you but in failure of her Arrival We have a resource the Fox & Ossterly are expected here from the West Coast in July one of them shall in such case be sent you.

Fort St. George
5th. May 1762.

We are
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your Most Obedient Humble Servants
George Pigot &ca. Council.

No. 52.

To Charles Turner Esqr.
Chief at Cuddalore.

Sir

We have received your Letter dated 30th. Ultimo by which we find your Merchants cannot provide the Investment without an Advance. We therefore enclose other Proposals which you will publish to the Merchants immediately and acquaint us with their Answer. The Quality of the different Sorts of Cloth must be duely attended to as we are determined that none of an Inferior Kind shall be received than what we have already given you the particulars of.

Fort St. George
10th. May 1762.

We are
Sir
Your Affectionate Friends
George Pigot &ca. Council.

N°. 53.

To Richard Fairfield Esq^R^.
Chief of Mazulipatam.

Sir

The Proposals deliver'd in for renting the several Farms dependent on Mazulipatam which expire the 31^st^. of this Month having been open'd, We have determin'd to let them for the insuing Year as hereundermention'd.

			Pags.
Nellipille &c^a^. Towns ..	To Condragoolah Juggapah for ..		2100
Bandarmalanka &c^a^. Towns ..	Moosalacontee Vencatram ..		3050
Goorjanapillee	Mauderauze Bogonah		300
Sakanalapillee & Ramasarum.	Boopetty Rauze Raggonaut Rauze.		1550
Innogodroo	Maudrause Ramiah		2300
Tondure & Bondura	Arrechundra Rause		16500
Tumadee & Peddanah ..	Arrechundra Rause		8500
Narsapore Salt	Arrechundra Rause		3500
Nizampatnam	Meer Bauker	Rup^s^. 92000 or	23000
Devee Island	Madalareddy Naique & Bogoputty Gorauze.		9500
Six Islands of Devee	Moosalacontee Caumosee		
	Juggaou Puntaloo		2800
	& Amerass Tripoty		
Antravidee	Madlaareddy Naique		
	& Bogoputty Garauzee		650
Gondure & Auclamanada ..	Madalareddy Naique		
	& BogoputtyGorauze		10600

Some higher Offers were made for these Farms by Persons at this Place, but as they could not produce sufficient Security for the payments of the Rents We chose rather to give the preference to the Old Renters and others of favourable Characters mention'd in your Letter of the 18^th^. of last Month and We expect that this Confidence will induce them to exert themselves in the Improvement of the Lands and to be punctual in the Payment of their Rents.

You will immediately apprise the Persons whose Proposals are accepted of this Determination in the mean time Cowles shall be prepared for the respective Farms and sent to you to be delivered by the end of the Month.

Fort St^t^. George
12^th^. May 1762.

We are
Sir
Your Affectionate Friends
George Pigot &c^a^. Council.

N°. 54.

To Richard Fairfield Esq^R^.
Chief of Mazulipatam.

Sir

We have received your Letter of the 12^th^. April w^th^. the Proposals of your Merchants of providing the Investment inclosed is a Copy of those We have lately made here & at Fort St^t^. David which have already induced some Merchants to contract os reasonable Terms & We hope they will have the same Effect at Masulipatam & Madapollum.

We have before given you a List of the Chay Goods the Callowapores must be of a bright red of 20 Ponjums 16 Covids long & 2 broad.

The Sastracundies must likewise be of a bright red of 22 Ponjums & 16 Covids long and 2 broad.

The Romalls without Glazing 24 Covids long and ¾ broad, and 18 Punjums, each Piece containing 16 Handkerchiefs.

[Alijars] are Order'd [. in the] Manufacture may be improved, We wd. have a few Corge provided Long Cloth.

Ordiy.	... ...	Ps. 8000
Midling	... ...	3000
Fine	... ...	2000
Salampores	Ordy.	3500
Fine	... ...	1500

It is observed in the List of Investment that the Madapollum Goods are extreemly defective in breadth. Many of them are Cane Yard broad & Cut thirty four & an half long it is not to be conceived how disadvantageous that Length is to the buyer how much less They sell for at our Sales. You are by all means to procure the Goods of these Manufactures more than two Covids wide at least 2¼ & full 72 long, and therefore you will admit of no single or double O Chop into the Investment.

The 12 Call is to consist of 2880 Threads.
The 9 Call . . . of 2160.
The 8 Call . . . of 1920 and We think No. 2 shod. have a greater Reduction of Price than We find in your Merchants Proposals Care must be taken that there are no Holes in the Cloth put up for Europe.

Your ordinary Long Cloth is so much complained off, that the Company desire to have none of it nor do We, except the Fabrick can be improved to near what it was formerly when it was a substantial good Cloth.

As there is not now so much order'd from all the Northern Settlements as used to be from each, You have a good Opportunity of improving the Investment especially as you have fewer Rivals.

All the Settlements are to transmit annually an Account drawn in Columns the first specifying the Quantity sent & the third the reasons drawn concisely where Orders were not comply'd with.

Should the advance of 25th. pr. [Cent] prove insufficient We leave it to you to do your best for Our Honble Masters.

Fort St. George
14th. May 1762.

We are
Sir
Your affectionate Friends
George Pigot &ca. Council.

No. 55.

To the Honble Henry Vansittart Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council at Fort William.

Honble Sir & Sirs

The Chesterfield carried our last [Accot.] to you dated the 2d. and 5th. Instant of which Duplicates have also been forwarded.

We have received from Colonel Monson the sums [men]tioned in your Letter of the 15th. February to have been advanced to Captn. Hart at your Presidency on account of His Majesty's 96 Regiment amounting to Arcot Rupees five thousand four hundred.

Enclosed is a Packet under your address [received] lately from the President & Council at Bombay.

Fort St. George
17th. May 1762.

We are
Honble Sir & Sirs
ur most Obedient Humble Servants
George Pigot &ca. Council.

No. 56.

To Thomas Heath Esqr.
Chief of Vizagapatam.

Sir

We have received your Letter dated the 29th. of last Month with four Proposals enclosed from your Merchants to provide Cloth for the Investment the particulars of their Proposals are now returned to you with the Prices We are willing to give for the different Sorts The Merchants Objections to the Quality of the Cloth and the Number of Threads required must be overruled or brought as near to our Terms as possible and in consideration of their conforming hereto a better price may in proportion be afforded, & advances are to be made to them of one quarter part of the value of the Cloth to be provided agreable to the Method lately practised here as explained in the accompanying Extracts from the Minutes of Consultation, which has induced some of our Merchants to contract on reasonable Terms, and We hope will have the same Effect with you.

You are to observe in future to Sort your Cloth agreeable to the enclosed Statement, which will be the most effectual Method of ascertaining the Quality of the Cloth and we hope of excluding by Degrees any of an Inferior Sortment.

You will encourage the Merchants as much as possible to provide an Investment agreable to these Instructions and to use all Expedition as we depend on some Assistance from you in contributing towards the September Dispatch shou'd the advance We have prescribed be insufficient We leave it to you to do your best for our Honble Masters.

All the Settlements are to transmit annually an account drawn in Columns. the first specifying the Quantity ordered. The Second the Quantity sent, and the third the reasons drawn concisely [by] the Orders were not complied with.

A supply of Wares and Stores shall be [. . .]

[*Letters from Nos. 57–64 are missing*].

The Gentlemen at Tellicherry in[formed] us that they have put on Board the True Briton Hundred Candies of Pepper, & we purpose sending [on] her

Three Lacks of Rupees, as such an early supply of Cash in China will be very acceptable. We shall [also] take measures to provide for the Royal Captain on Arrival here.

When the Brittania Snow arrived here from the Squadron we shall endeavour to pro[vide] for her in the manner recommended in your Letter of the 27th. March.

Enclosed is a Packet received from Fort William for your Presidency, accompanyied with a copy of their Address to the Honble Court of Directors with the several Papers enclosed which they have desired be forwarded from hence.

Fort St. George
3d. June 1762.

We are
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedt. Hble Servants
George Pigot &ca. Council.

List of the Packet to Bombay ℔ Pattamar.

No. 1 General Letter . . . Dated 3d. June 1762.
2 General Letter from Fort William to the President &c. Council there.
3 Packet from Fort William to the Court of Directors.

Fort St. George 3d. June 1762.

William Aldersey
Secry.

No. 65.

Mr. Alexander Dalrymple.

Sir

The Ship London is put under your Direction, for the prosecution of the Voyage to Sooloo & we have appointed Mr. Thomas Kelsal in joint Commission with you for transacting affairs relating to the Cargo and in case of your Death, he is to have the sole Direction.

You are to proceed immediately in the London for Abai on the N.W. Coast of Borneo where you will provide Pilots for one of the Companys large ships which we intend to Dispatch shortly after you to Sooloo & leave such orders as you may find necessary for them to pursue, to prevent any accident which may attend their missing Abai, or not receiving your Orders, the like are to be lodged at Banguey.

It is necessary to be carefull that the large Ship be not detained so late as to make her Passage to Canton precarious, You will therefore give her as Quick a Dispatch as possible.

It will be necessary that you proceed to China yourself in the London that you may return to Sooloo with a full state of the Voyage & finally adjust that Account.

We think it necessary to take notice that if any difficulty should arise in regard to the manner of consigning & disposing of the Cargo at Canton You must insist that the whole be consigned to the Companys Supra Cargoes, as any other method may involve the Companys affairs & in such case we do impower you if you find it expedient to make an Allowance in the Terms of Contract for any Loss that the Sooloo's may sustain thereby in the Price of the Sales.

You will endeavour to conclude another Contract on the best Terms you can & transmit to us the earliest Intelligence for the timely provision of the Goods. We do not think it necessary to limit the terms, as we apprehend there is no doubt of such as are more than adequate to the Risque.

We have only to recommend that an Adjustment of the China Sales may be avoided by terminating the Contract at Sooloo and to observe that the greater amount you can Contract for the greater will be the Company's advantage & consequently our satisfaction.

As it is possible from the nature of the Place that the Natives may have Goods for the China [Market] to a greater amount than their present demand of Goods from hence, You are therefore empowered to make an agreement to Transport them to Canton on freight which however must not be less than 25 pr. Cent on the Gruff & 15 on other sorts of Goods to be paid in Kind & this Agreement we recommend to take place only after another valuable Contract is agreed to.

We leave it to your determination whether the London return directly here or to Bengal; the last appears most expedient if no other Conveyance offers to that Place as the means of obtaining the Bengal proportion of a Cargo for a future Voyage. In the present Instance we shall endeavour to procure for the ship which follows the Proportion of Bengal Assortments in the Contract & Musters of what others can be got.

You are empowered to Contract for any Quantity of Cinnamon, Pepper &c^{a}. and We recommend to you to encourage the Cultivation of them. A list of the several Articles which we think may be agreed for is enclosed. These articles you will use your Endeavours to secure for the Company till their Pleasure be known and the Commerce be put under their particular Regulations.

You will also endeavour to make an Agreement with the Buggueses for what Goods they may require, to be paid for in specie & other Commodities, and as turning the Bugguese Commerce into this Channel would be of infinite Benefit. You are to Consider it as a Chief Object of your attention.

In case you should find any Foreigners or Private Traders in the Sooloo Districts you are to take every measure for the Companys Benefit & insist on the Government adhering to the Treaty if you find it expedient.

Some instructions of a Private nature will be communicated by the President which we expect you to execute to the best of your abilities.

We do not stipulate any Commission to be allowed to you for your care & trouble in this Voyage, being persuaded that your good & faithfull services will meet with a more ample reward from our Honble Masters than we think ourselves authorised to promise you. We shall not fail to give them a just information of your Proceedings & recommend to you a full Confidence in their generous Consideration of your Zeal as the surest way to obtain their Favour.

As the Soolo Contract was on a Presumption, that the Cargo except the Europe Articles would be provided immediately by the Company which it has been impossible to do, it seems reasonable that an abatement be made in the stipulated Gain from hence to Soolo which you are accordingly empowered to do, as we think it by no means eligible to be too strict in this first agreement.

We also recommend to you to inform yourself, if short & narrow Cloths can be disposed of at Soolo at a proportionate Rate, as it would greatly facilitate our Europe Investments, could those improper for the Europe Market be vended elsewhere.

Enclosed is Invoice of the Cargo to Soolo by the London, Consigned to you & M^{r}. Thomas Kelsal as also a letter to the Supra Cargoes in China. in which we desire them to supply you with what money you may want for the Vessels

Expences, or for purchasing a returning Cargo either in China or at Sooloo, as you may determine, on consulting with the Supra Cargoes, at Canton, in case you should pay Port Charges.

We have directed you to encourage the Cultivation of Cinnamon, Pepper &c. at Soolo in a former Paragraph, We recommend to you to Consult with the Supra Cargoes at what Price to contract for those Articles which may turn out to Account in China tho we think you may agree at such a Rate as may according to the Common price in China yeild a Taile for a Dollar. In respect to the Articles not proper for China you will Contract for them on the best Terms you can, as well those you may get from the Buggueses as what are produced at Soolo. After the first experiment we shall be able to give more particular Directions.

We wish you a successfúll Voyage and Date this in Fort St. George the 5th. June 1762.

GEORGE PIGOT.
ROBT. PALK.
CHAS. BOURCHIER.
DAWSONNE DRAKE.
JAS. ALEXANDER.

LIST OF GOODS TO BE CONTRACTED FOR AT SOOLO TO ENCOURAGE THE CULTIVATION VIZT.

PEPPER	all that can be Contracted for.
CINNAMON	Ditto.
SAGO	Ditto.
CLOVE BARK	at present only as a Tryal.
CACAO	
DYING STUFFS	at present only as a Tryal.

Musters of every kind of Goods that can be procured whether of the Produce of Sooloo or Foreign Parts.

From the BUGGUESE which they are to be encouraged importing

CLOVES	at 80 or 100 Dollars ℔ Paul.
NUTMEGS	at 60 or 80 Ditto.
COOLIT LAU ANG	at present only as a Tryl.

No. 66.

To MESSRS. THOMAS FITZHUGH, SAMUEL BLOUNT, JOHN BURROW, RICHAR WOOD, NATHANIEL GARLAND, ALEXANDER HUME, STEPHEN DE VISM FRANCIS WOOD, BENJAMIN TORIN, THOMAS SMITH, THOMAS THOMAS, WI LIAM ROUS, AND JOHN WALTON, SUPRA CARGOES OF COUNCIL AT CANTON.

GENTLEMEN

Mr. Dalrymple in a late Voyage to Sooloo in the Cuddalore Sloop havir made a Contract with the Natives for several Articles proper for the Chir Market to be given in Exchange for Piece Goods from this Coast we have bee induced to try if this might not turn out Benificial to our Honble Masters, an therefore send him in their ship London with part of the Goods that he ma make preparation for the ship we purpose sending hither in her way to Chin this season, when he has performed this service he is to proceed to China, a you will observe by the nature of the Contract, which Mr. Dalrymple will com municate to you it is necessary he should do so.

There are 500 oz. of silver on board the London but should Mr. Dalrymple be in want of Money for the Vessels Expences or for a returning Cargo you will be pleased to supply him with such a sum as you may think necessary after he shall have communicated the same to you.

We are
GENTLEMEN
Your most Obedient Hble. Servts.

FORT ST. GEORGE
7 JUNE 1762.

GEORGE PIGOT &CA. COUNCIL.

No. 67.

TO THE HONBLE CHARLES CROMMELIN ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL AT BOMBAY.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Enclosed is Duplicate of our last dated the 3d. Instant as also a Packet received from the President & Council of Fort William.

The Brittania Snow is arrived here & we will endeavour if possible to procure a Freight for her & return her to you as you desire early in October.

In our Letter dated the 25th. March we acquainted you that the Gentlemen in Bengal had consigned to us five Lacks of Rupees towards a Stock for the ships going to China. They have since sent five Lacks more, four of which we have received, & are in hourly expectation of the arrival of the Prince Edward a Country ship, on board of which is the remaining one Lack.

To this sum We think to add five Lacks more which will make a stock amounting to fifteen Lacks for the ships bound to China this season.

We have the pleasure to acquaint you that the Money we have received in part of payment of the Nabobs debt this Year will enable us to supply you with five Lacks of Rupees also, and you may draw for that sum whenever you Please.

The Gentlemen in Bengal in their Letter of 26th. April writing that the Godolphin having sprung a Leak was unable to proceed on her voyage to England and that if the Captain was not able to repair her they should want a ship to carry home her Cargo.

They tell us also that they have an overplus of goods sufficient to load home a small ship which we are sending the Admiral Watson to take in, & they add that if nothing disappoints their present hopes of a good Investment they shall have Loading for six ships, and desire that we will concert measures with you that they may be supplied.

We observe by the List sent us this Year there are for . .

COAST & BAY.

Tilbury	1	
Clinton	1	
Hardwick	1	
Walpole	1	
Drake	1	
New Ship (Pearce)	1	
	—	6

BOMBAY.

Hector	1	
Prince of Wales	1	
New Ship (Allen)	1	
New Ship (Riddell)	1	
	—	4

Remaining on the Bombay SIDE.

Boscawen		1
		11

By the above it appears there will be Six Ships destined for the Coast & Bay which are the number the Gentlemen at Bengal desire and as we may be able here to dispatch one ship home in October & another in February next there will be wanted two ships of the number consigned to you which We believe you may be able to spare as you will have on hand five ships besides the Winchelsea & a New ship Captain Rous directed particular Voyages which doubtless should not be regarded could they be loaded home.

Our Honble Masters having been pleased to direct in case of the Reestablishment of their Settlement on the West Coast, that Mr. Carter, the Council & the rest of the Companys servants Civil & Military belonging to that Establishment should be restored to their several stations, and Mr. Carter with such others of those Gentlemen who are now at Madrass being about to proceed thither in Consequence, We have put the Royal George under their Orders to carry them to Fort Marlborough. If that ship should be returned to us, in time to be dispatched to England early the next Year we shall in such case only have occasion for one ship from your side to be dispatched home but if her services should be wanted at Marlborough We shall then be in need of two ships as beforementioned.

We are

Fort St. George
17th. June 1762.

Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most obt. humble Servants

George Pigot
&ca. Council.

No. 68.

To the Honble Henry Vansittart Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council of Fort William.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Since writing to you the 17th. last Month of which Duplicate is enclosed, Our Honble Masters Snow Syren & the ship Fort St. George are arrived, and we have received your several letters dated 15th. March Duplicate of 29 March 1st. 8th. 9th. 15th. & 26 April. The Prince Edward does not yet appear which makes us anxious for her safety.

By the Syren & Fort St. George we have received the four Lacks of Rupees as advised in your Letter of 9th. April.

We have agreable to your desire from the advices received by the London Packet of the Ships taken up this Year, proposed measures to the Gentlemen at Bombay for supplying you with ships for the Tonnage you expect to have for Europe the ensuing season, enclosed is Copy of our Letter for your more particular Information.

The great inconvenience that attends our not being provided with Salt Petre to assist in the Tonnage of the Ships we may have to dispatch to Europe from hence induces us to enforce the repeated applications made to you on this subject, and we must intreat that you will send us by the earliest opportunitys, as ample a supply as possible. Two Hundred Tons is the least we shall want to enable us to send home a ship in October & we must again remind you of Packing stuff for our Bales.

The True Briton arrived here from Bombay the 31st. May & will sail for China in a few days. The Gentlemen there acquaint us of their Intention to send The Royal Captain hither recommending if it should suit our Circumstances to dispatch her also to China which is our Intention, & We hope to have it in our power to add Five Lacks of Rupees to the Consignments you have sent us which if the Prince Edward arrives safe will make Fifteen Lacks for the ships bound to China this season.

We have employed the London Packet on the Voyage to the East Ward originally intended for the Royal George as mentioned in our Letter of the 5th May which last is destined to carry to the West Coast Mr. Carter & the other Gentlemen of that Establishment, The Admiral Watson We therefore purpose to send to you after her return from Trancamalee whither she has been lately Dispatched on the service of his Majestys Squadron And in case the Godolphin cannot be put in a fit condition to prosecute her Voyage to Europe, The Fox or the Osterly which are shortly expected from the West Coast shall be dispatched to you to proceed in her stead.

His Majestys ships the Seaford & South Sea Castle from the Cape of Good Hope arrived here the 10th. Instt. By them we learn that the Falmouth & Prince Edward which we dispatched hence to Europe in October arriv'd at St. Helena the 3rd. January.

You will receive herewith an Account of the Expences of the Snow Leopard.

In your letter of the 15th. Febry. you advise that you had sent us on the Sabut Jung the Copper & Lead that was consigned to us on the Plassey an Invoice of which you enclosed, The Articles turn out agreable to your Invoice but not comformable to the Plasseys Invoice from England. In the Lead there is a surplus of Slabs or Pigs but a deficiency in Weight and in the Copper there is a deficiency both of Plates & Weight, We Credit your Presidency for The Exact Quantity received, & for particulars we refer to the Import Warehouse-keepers Account enclosed.

We have ordered a Copy of the Accounts of the Camp Expences under Messrs. Walsh & Maumell in Bengal to be prepared and forwarded to you as you desire.

Enclosed is Packet received from Bombay for your Presidency.

We are

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your Most Obedient Humble Servants

George Pigot &ca Council

Fort St. George
24 June 1762.

List of the Packet to Fort William ℔ Sloop Speedwell.

No. 1 General Letter . . . dated 24th. June 1762.
2 Duplicate General Letter . . . 17th. May 1762.
3 Copy of a General Letter to the President & Council at Bombay 17th. June 1762.
4 Account of Stores supplied & Cash advanced for the use of the Honble Company's Snow Leopard.
5 Account Difficiency's of copper & Lead ℔ Plassey.
6 Packet from the President & Council of Bombay.

Fort St. George 24th. June 1762

Wm. Aldersey,
Secry.

No. 69.

To Thomas Heath Esq^R^.
Chief of Vizagapatam.

Sir

We have received your Letters dated the 25^th^. May and 9^th^. Instant the former giving an Account of the Damages occasioned to the Buildings at your Place by a Gale of Wind which you have our permission to repair observing that it be done in the most frugal manner.

As soon as you have Concluded an agreement with the Merchants for carrying on the Investment agreable to the Instructions contained in our Letter of the 21^st^. May you will encourage them to bring in as much Cloth as possible for our October ship, and we have directed M^r^. Fairfield to assist you with Money for your occasions on that Account.

We are
Sir
Your Affectionate Friends
George Pigot &c^a^. Council.

Fort S^t^. George
25^th^. June 1762.

No. 70.

To Richard Fairfield Esq^R^.
Chief of Mazulipatam.

Sir

We have received your Letters dated the 5^th^. & 9^th^. Instant.

When the Merchants to the Northward sent in their Proposals to provide Goods for the Investment We did not insist on their lowering the Prices for the Long Cloth that they might not have any plea for deviating from the Qualities & Dimensions prescribed by the Company. We are determined not to receive any other & if the Merchants persit in their refusal to provide it agreable thereto you will be the better able to assist M^r^. Heath in the Investment at Vizagapatam which you are accordingly to do as he shall [. . .] you of his Occasions, in the meantime you will encourage the Merchants to exert themselves in providing the Chay Goods agreable to the Terms of their Proposals.

You have our Permission to set up a new Flagstaff at Bandarmalanka in the place of the old one provided it does not exceed the Charge you compute it at of 70 Pagodas.

Herewith are returned the List of stores at Mazulipatam & Devee Transmitted with your Letter of the 3^d^. Ultimo with the Valuation of them in order to be brought on your Books for the present Year.

We are
Sir
Your Affectionate Friends
George Pigot &c^a^. Council.

Fort S^t^. George
25^th^. June 1762.

No. 71.

To Charles Turner Esqr.
Chief of Cuddalore.

Sir

In the List of Investment received by the Tilbury which arrived here the 25th. Instant We are ordered to provide.

Long Cloths Fine Blue Deep.

" Dye D 1, 2, 3, DM Fifteen Thousand Pieces 15000

If the whole Quantity cannot be provided, You must be sure to send some as they are much wanted, & We find the Dutch have them but send none of those marked D.W."

In consequence of these commands We desire you will immediately cause proposals to be made to the Merchants in the same manner with those sent from hence regarding your present Investment that as much as possible of this Article may be provided by the End of September—Enclosed is Copy of a Paragraph of our Honble Masters General Letter to which We desire due regard may be paid.

We are
Sir
Your Affectionate Friends
George Pigot &ca. Council.

Fort St. George
28th. June 1762.

No. 72.

To The Honble Charles Crommelin Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council of Bombay.

Honble Sir & Sirs,

We have the pleasure to acquaint you that our Honble Masters ship the Tilbury imported here the 25th. Instant she left England the 5th. Febry. in Company with the Clinton & Essex which were to call at Madeira and by the Argo Frigate, which arrived the 27th. we learn that those ships sailed with her from that Place the middle of March. Enclosed is a Packet received for your Honor &ca. by the Tilbury.

Having received advice that the snow Fatta Dad bound to your side from Bengal had lost her Passage and put into Trancamale about the middle of last Month. We recommended to the Master to come to Madrass he is arrived and having represented to us that his Vessell is very leaky. We have taken out the Salt Petre he had on board for your Presidency and shall not fail to advise the Gentlemen in Bengal hereof and recommend to them to send you a supply in the room of what we have unladen from this Vessel by the first opportunity.

The Packet from Bengal by the Fatta Dad for your Precidency is forwarded herewith We have opened it for the Bills of Lading & have taken a Copy of the Invoice.

We are
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your Most Obedient Humble Servants
George Pigot &ca. Council.

Fort St. George
28th. June 1762.

No. 73.

To the Honble Henry Vansittart Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council of Fort William.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Our Honble Masters ship the Tilbury bound to Coast & Bay imported here the 25th. Instant she left England the 5th. February in Company with the Clinton & Essex which were to call at Madiera, and by the Argo Frigate which arrived here the 27th. we learn that those ships sailed with her from that Place the Middle of March. We shall land the Consignments by the Tilbury for this Place as soon as possible & then dispatch her to the Bay.

Having received advice that the Snow Fatta Dad from Fort William bound to Bombay had lost her Passage and put in at Trincamalley about the middle of last Month We recommended to the Master to come to Madrass, he is arrived & having represented to us that his Vessel is very Leaky we are taking out the salt Petre he had on Board for that Presidency and doubt not but you will send a Supply in its room by the first opportunity.

Enclosed is Duplicate of our Letter dated the 24th. Instant with Copies of the several Papers mention'd to be enclosed.

Immediately on receipt of your Letter of the 26th. April by the Tappies, a Copy of your Address to the Honble the Court of Directors with the several Papers enclos'd were immediately prepared & forwarded to the President & Council of Bombay agreble to your desire.

We are
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your Most Obedient Humble Servants
George Pigot &ca. Council.

Fort St. George
30 June 1762.

List of the Packet to Fort William ℔ Golcondah.

No. 1 General Letter . . . dated 30th. June 1762.
2 Duplicate General Letter 24th. June 1762.
3 Copy of a Letter to the President & Council of Bombay dated 17th. June 1762.
4 Account of Stores supplied and Cash advanced for the use of the Honble Company's Snow Leopard.
5 Account Deficiencies of Copper & Lead ℔ Plassey.

Wm. Aldersey
Secry.

Fort St. George
30th. June 1762.

No. 74.

To Messrs. Thomas Fitzhugh, Samuel Blount, John Burrow
Richard Wood, Nathaniel Garland, Alexander Hume,
Stephen De Visme, Francis Wood, Benjamin Torin,
Thomas Smith, Thos. Thomas, William Rous &
John Walton Supra Cargoes of Council at Canton.

Gentlemen

By the Royal George which arrived here the 8th. February we received a Letter from the Supra Cargoes of Council at Canton appointed for the year 1761 dated the 15th. Decr. last enclosing an Account of Expences for which this Presidency stands Indebted on your Books, amounting to Tales 3,999,600, you'll please to Credit Fort St. George by Account Currt. London for the amount of the inclosed Invoice and debit us to Account Currt. London for the Tales 3,999,600.

The Cargo consigned to us by the Royal George having been disposed of We enclose the Account Sales thereof & shall by the first opportunity transmit a Copy to our Honble Masters agreable to their Directions.

The True Briton arrived here from the Malabar Coast the 30th. of last Month she received at Bombay four hundred Bales of Cotton and one thousand Maunds of Surat Putchuck amounting to about Fifty thousand Rupees and at Tellicherry Two Hundred Tons of Pepper amounting to twenty two thousand four hundred & Twenty three Rupees, one Annae & Twenty Pice (22,423. 1. 20) To this we have added in Dollars & German Crowns to the amount of Pagodas 93,933. 30. 17 according to the Invoice & Bill of Lading enclosed.

We are in hourly expectation of the Royal Captain from Bombay, We shall dispatch her to you as soon as possible after her arrival under the denomination of a Casual ship & by her shall send you a Considerable supply of Treasure.

Mr. Ardley one of the Council having proceeded to Fort Marlborough in the Earl Temple last November to take the Management of our Honble Masters affairs there untill Mr. Carter & the other Gentlemen of that Establishment could reassume their stations—and our Honble Masters ship Fox & Osterly being also employed on that side, we have directed Mr. Ardley to return the two last mentioned ships to us as early as possible that they may also be employed this season to China as Casual ships, The Earl Temple is to proceed to China directly from Marlborough with Pepper.

The London Packet from England arrived here the 26th. April & the Tilbury the 26th. of this Instant. She sailed in company with the Clinton & Essex the 5th. Febry. and the Argo Frigate which arrived here the 27th. parted from those ships after she left Madeira. By the enclosed List of ships taken up for the present Year you will observe that three ships Vizt. The Haughton, Essex, & Grosvenor, are destined for Coast & China, and the Court of Directors have recommended to us to consign to you on them in Treasure & proper Goods to the amount of £30,000, or at least £25,000 on each ship.

Having received from the President & Council of Fort William nine Lacks of Rupees to be consigned to you, We do not doubt but we shall be able to provide amply for all the ships intended for China this season from the Coast as above mentioned and you may be assured we shall lose no time in dispatching them with the utmost expedition after their Arrival unless any Incident should arise to make an Alteration necessary.

We are

Gentlemen

Your Most Obedient Humble Servants
George Pigot &ca. Council.

Fort St. George
1 July 1762.

To Captain Thomas Crichton
of the True Briton.

Sir

You are hereby ordered to repair on Board & make the best of your way to the River of Canton, where on your arrival you will deliver the accompanying Packet to the Supra Cargoes of Council whose Orders you are to follow for your further Proceedings.

Dated in Fort St. George the 1st. July 1762.

George Pigot
&c^{a}. Council.

List of the Packet to the Supra Cargoes of Council at Canton.
℔ True Briton.

No. 1 General Letter . . . dated the 1st. July 1762.
2 Account Sales of the Cargo from China ℔ Royal George.
3 List of Ships arrived from & taken up for the East Indies dated 26th. Decr. 1762.
4 Invoice of Treasure to China ℔ True Briton.
5 Bill of Lading.
6 Copy of Captain Crichtons Sailing Orders.

William Aldersey
Secry

Fort St. George
1st. July 1762.

No. 75.

To Charles Turner Esqr.
Chief of Cuddalore.

Sir

We have received your letter dated the 2nd. Instant with the proposals of your Merchants for providing blue Cloth. Those of Shreelapetty at Sixty one Pagodas ℔ Corge are the lowest. On referring to the Prices formerly given We observe that Long Cloth midling Blue of 72 Covids Long and 2¼ Broad was purchased at 57 Pagodas and a half ℔ Corge so great a difference in the Price should make a considerable one in the Goodness of the Manufacture and unless it appears so to you by the Musters produced We cannot think of giving such a Price.

The Indent for Hospital Cloathing transmitted with your Letter of 23d. June is ordered to be Complied with.

We are
Sir
Your Affectionate Friends
George Pigot &c^{a}. Council.

Fort St. George
8th. July 1762.

No. 76.

To Samuel Ardley Esq^R^.
Provisional Deputy Governor at Fort Marlborough.

Sir

The Osterley arrived here the 5th. Instant with your advices dated the 25th. March 22nd. April 2nd. & 3rd. June and the several Books and papers mentioned in the List of the Packet.

The Company having been pleased to direct in case of the Reestablishment of their Settlements on the West Coast that M^r^. Carter, the Council and the rest of the Companys Servants Civil & Military belonging to that Establishment should be restored to their several Stations. M^r^. Carter and such others of those Gentlemen who are at Madras now proceed in the Royal George for that purpose you are therefore as soon as conveniently may be after the receipt hereof to make over to M^r^. Carter the Charge of the Settlement at Fort Marlborough and of all affairs relating thereto after which you will take the first oppurtunity to return to this place.

We are
Sir
Your Affectionate Friends
George Pigot &c^a^. Council.

Fort S^t^. George
15th. July 1762.

No. 77.

To Captain Peter Macklesin
Commander of the Earl Temple
or the Commander for the time being.

Sir

By a letter we have very lately received from M^r^. Ardley, We understand he had directed you to Malacca to take in some stores laying there belonging to the Company, should therefore this reach you in Time We direct that you disembark the stores again and make the best of your way to Canton in China where you will put yourself under the orders of the Supra Cargoes.

We are
Sir
Your most Obed^t^. Hble Serv^ts^.
George Pigot &c^a^. Council.

Fort S^t^. George
18 July 1762.

No. 78.

To the Honble Charles Crommelin Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council at Bombay.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We wrote to you in Duplicate under date the 28th. last Month & advised of the arrival of our Honble Masters ship the Tilbury from England we have now the satisfaction to acquaint you that the Essex for Coast and China & the Clinton for the Coast & Bay imported the 11th. instant.

We have received from the Chief and Council at Anjengo the enclosed Packet for your Honor &ca. which they desired might be immediately forwarded.

The Osterley from Fort Marlborough came in here the 5th. Instant with advices from Mr. Ardley who as we have already advised your Honor &ca. went thither in the Earl Temple last November to take Charge of the Companys affairs on that Coast. Every thing has been in tranquility since his Arrival and Mr. Carter with the other Gentlemen now here of that Establishment are about to proceed thither in the Royal George to resume their Stations in consequence of the Directions received from our Honble Masters.

We are
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most obedient Humble Servants
George Pigot &ca. Council.

Fort St. George
23rd. July 1762.

No. 79.

To Thomas Whitehill Esqr.
Chief &ca. Council at Anjengo.

Gentlemen

We have received your Letters dated the 10th. May and 20th. Ulto. the last enclosing a Packet to the President & Council of Bombay which has been forwarded.

The Packet containing our Letter to you of the 8th. March by his Majestys ship the Falmouth having been returned to us as that ship lost her Passage to the Mallabar Coast, we forward herewith the Musters therein mentioned to have been received from Mahomed Usoff Cawn shall be sent to you by the first sea Conveyance.

The President now writes to Mahomed Usoff Cawn on the subject of the Cloth manufactured in the Tinnebelly Country, We believe by corresponding with him you may fix upon a proper Place for receiving the Goods Copy of the Presidents Letter to Mahomed Usoff Cawn is enclosed for your Perusal.

We are
Gentlemen
Your Affectionate Friends
George Pigot &ca. Council.

Fort St. George
[. . .] July 1762.

No°. 80.

MESSRS. THOMAS FITZHUGH, SAMUEL BLOUNT, JOHN BURROW, RICHD. WOOD, NATHANIEL GARLAND, ALEXANDER HUME, STEPHEN DE VISME, FRANCIS WOOD BENJAMIN TORIN, THOMAS SMITH, THOS. THOMAS, WILLIAM ROUSE AND JOHN WAL TON, SUPRA CARGOES OF COUNCIL AT CANTON.

GENTLEMEN

We advised you in a Letter dated 7th. June of which duplicate accompanys this that in consequence of a Contract made by Mr. Alexander Dalrymple with the natives of Sooloo for sundry Articles proper for the China Market to be given in Exchange for piece goods from the Coast, We had sent him in the London Packet to carry the same into Effect. This ship the Royal Captain now follows to Sooloo with the remaining part of the Goods from hence, and as Mr. Dalrymple is perfectly acquainted with the nature of this scheme We beg leave to refer you to him for all Informations relative thereto as far as concern any Transactions that may result from it in China.

We forward herewith a Packet from the President and Council of Bombay: The Cotton they had laden on this ship for China We have divided on the Essex & Osterley as you will be advised by those ships respectively which are now under dispatch and as it is probable they will be with you before our advices by this Ship We shall only further advise here that we now consign to you One Lack of Rupees & some Redwood [according] to the Invoice & Bill of Lading enclosed.

We are
GENTLEMEN
Your most Obedient Humble Servant
GEORGE PIGOT &CA. COUNCIL.

FORT ST. GEORGE
31ST. JULY 1762.

No°. 81.

To MR. ALEXANDER DALRYMPLE.

SIR

Having laden on Board the Royal Captain as large a part of the Goods remaining to Compleat the Sooloo Contract as we have been able to provide according to the enclosed Invoice & Bill of lading We now dispatch her to you; by the enclosed Copy of the sailing Orders to the Captain you will observe we have given him such precautions for securing his Passage as you were apprized of in our Instructions at your departure and you have no doubt on your part taken the measures therein, which were recommend [*sic*] to your attention.

As you are perfectly acquainted of our Intentions in respect to this Undertaking We have only to recommend to you to use all possible diligence and Dispatch in carrying them into Effect, which has become the more necessary as we have received advices from Europe that War was declared against Spain in January last.

In consequence of this Event his Majesty has been pleased to direct an Expedition to be undertaken against Manilha and preparations have been accordingly made, the Squadron under the command of Admiral Cornish is about to sail with a Body of Land Forces commanded by General Draper who arrived here from England the 26th. June in the Argo Frigate.

In case this Enterprize should meet with success We recommend to you to call at Manilha on your return from China as the Island is by his Majesty orders to be put into the Possession of the Companys Agents.

The consignment to Canton by this Ship Consist of one Lack of Rupees and a small quantity of Redwood as you will observe by the Invoice under cover to the Supra Cargoes which comes under a flying seal for your Perusal, you may fill her entirely up at Sooloo as We have apprised the Captain and officers that they are not to take any thing on board at Sooloo on Account of their Previledge as it would be attended with particular Inconveniences.

We are
SIR
Your affectionate friends

FORT ST. GEORGE
1ST. AUGUST 1762.

GEORGE PIGOT &CA. COUNCIL.

P.S.—The six pearl you brought from Sooloo are now returned to you.

No. 82.

To MESSRS. THOMAS FITZHUGH, SAMUEL BLOUNT, JOHN BURROW, RICHD. WOOD, NATHANIEL GARLAND, ALEXANDER HUME, STEPHEN DE VISME, FRANCIS WOOD, BENJAMIN TORIN, THOMAS SMITH, THOMAS THOMAS, WILLIAM ROUS AND JOHN WALTON, SUPRA CARGOES OF COUNCIL AT CANTON.

GENTLEMEN

We wrote to you by the True Briton under date the 1st. of last Month Duplicate of which you will receive herewith and therein advised of the arrival of our Honble Masters Ship the Tilbury, The Essex for Coast and China and Clinton for the Bay came in the 11th. of July.

The Royal Captain from Bombay arrived here the 2nd. of last Month and the Osterley from the West Coast the 5th. The former We have thought proper to dispatch to Sooloo with the remainder of the Goods provided on Account of the Contract made by Mr. Alexander Dalrymple with the Natives there concerning which you are more fully inform'd in our advices by the Royall Captain.

You will be advised from the other Department of the Declaration of war with Spain and of the Expedition which has been undertaken here in consequence against Manilha. The Essex & Osterley are appointed to attend the Admiral on this Service after which they are to make the best of their way to Canton.

In case this Enterprize should be attended with Success, The Island is by his Majestys orders to be put into the Possession of the Companys Agents and We have on this occasion appointed. Mr. Dawsonne Drake one of the Members of our Council to be Deputy Governor with a Council and Assistants who proseed in the Essex & Osterley.

By this ship the Osterley We consign to you Tons 111. 5. 9 (c. q. lb.) of Pepper received from the West Coast also a Quantity of Redwood and a supply of Treasure. By the Essex We shall send a further supply of Treasure also.

The Invoices and Bills of Lading for these ships Cargoes will be enclosed by us to Mr. Drake & Council as they may have occasion for a part of the Money and you will be advised by them what part they may detain.

We are
GENTLEMEN
Your Most Obedt. Servants

FORT ST. GEORGE
1ST. AUGUST 1762.

GEORGE PIGOT &CA. COUNCIL.

No. 83.

To Captain Frederick Vincent
Commander of the Osterley.

Sir

You are hereby directed to repair on board and proceed with his Majesty's Squadron under the Command of Admiral Cornish, whose orders you are to follow for your future proceedings—when he shall signify that he has no further orders for you, You are to follow such as you may receive from Dawsonne Drake Esqr. &ca. Council.

Dated in Fort St. George the 1st. August 1762.

George Pigot &ca. Council.

No. 84.

To Captain George Jackson
Commander of the Essex.

Sir

You are hereby directed to repair on board, and put yourself under the Command of Captain William Brereton of his Majestys Ship Falmouth untill you shall join the Squadron under the Command of Admiral Cornish whose Orders you are then to follow for your future Proceedings.

When the Admiral shall signify that he has no further orders for you, you are to follow those of Dawsonne Drake Esqr. &ca. Council.

Dated in Fort St. George 4th. August 1762. Geo: Pigot &ca. Council.

List of the Packet to Canton Pr. Essex.

No. 1 Duplicate General Letter Dated 1 Augt. 1762.
2 Duplicate General Letter dated 31st. July 1762.
3 Triplicate General Letter Dated 1st. July 1762.
4 Triplicate General Letter Dated 7 June 1762.
5 Copy of Captain Jacksons Instructions.
6 Copy of the Essex Charter Party.
7 Copy of Captain Jacksons Commission to Sieze unlicensed Persons.
8 Manifest of the Goods & Merchandize licensed to be ship'd on Board the Essex for Fort St. George & China.
9 Copy of the Essex's Victualling Bill.
10 Packet from the Honble Court of Directors to the Supra Cargoes of Council at Canton.
11 Duplicate Account Sales of the Royal George's Cargo from Canton.
12 Abstract of the Invoice ℔ True Briton.
13 Invoice ℔ Essex.
14 Bill of Lading ℔ Essex.
15 Invoice of Cotton to Canton ℔ Osterley Essex and Royal Captain.
16 Receipts for the Proportion Cotton ℔ Essex.
17 Account of Copper & Madiera Wine deficient ℔ Ship Essex to be transmitted to Europe with the Ship.

18 Price Current of Goods at Fort St. George 3rd. August 1762.
19 Abstract of Ship Osterleys Invoice.
20 Second Bills of Lading of ditto.
21 Abstract of Ship Royal Captain's Invoice.
22 Second Bills of Lading of Ditto.

FORT ST. GEORGE 3RD. AUGUST 1762.

WM. ALDERSEY,
Secry.

LIST OF THE PACKET TO CANTON ℔ OSTERLEY.

No. 1 General Letter dated 4th. Augt. 1762.
2 Invoice of Sundries to Canton ℔ Osterley.
3 Bill of Lading for Ditto.
4 Invoice of Cotton to Canton ℔ Osterley Essex & Royal Captain.
5 Receipts for the Proportion of Cotton ℔ Osterley.
6 Abstracts of the Essex's Invoice to Canton.
7 Second Bill of Lading of Ditto.

FORT ST. GEORGE 3RD. AUGUST 1762.

WM. ALDERSEY,
Secry.

No. 85.

To MESSRS. THOMAS FITZHUGH, SAMUEL BLOUNT, JOHN BURROW, RICHARD WOOD, NATHANIEL GARLAND, ALEXANDER HUME, STEPHEN DE VISME, FRANCIS WOOD, BENJAMIN TORIN, THOMAS SMITH, THOMAS THOMAS, WILLIAM ROUS & JOHN WALTON SUPRA CARGOES OF COUNCIL AT CANTON.

GENTLEMEN

We acquainted you in our Letter by this Ship dated 31st. Ultimo that the Cotton brought in her from Bombay would be divided on board the Essex & Osterly which was then intended but We afterwards found that they could not be all removed and you will therefore receive a part by the Royal Captain. The whole is consign'd to you in one Invoice which is transmitted to you in three Copies, one by each Ship with the receipts for those removed on board the Osterly and Essex respectively.

We are
GENTLEMEN
Your most Obedient humble Servants

GEORGE PIGOT &CA. COUNCIL.

FORT ST. GEORGE
4TH. AUGUST 1762.

N°. 86.

To Captain Nathaniel Tanner
of the Royal Captain.

Sir

You are hereby directed to repair on board and make the best of your way to the Island of Sooloo lying on the Lattitude of 6 N°. between Borneo and the Phillipine Islands and in order to facilitate your Passage thither vou are to attend to the following Instructions.

You are to proceed immediately to Abai on the NW^t^. Coast of Borneo, where M^r^. Alexander Dalrymple who sail'd from hence in the London Packet in June last has been ordered to provide Pilots to conduct your Ship to Sooloo and to leave such Instructions as may be necessary for your Guidance. In case of your missing Abai or not receiving directions there from M^r^. Dalrymple you are to put in at Banguey where he has also been directed to lodge Advices for your Information. If you should be also disapointed there in this respect you must pursue your Passage according to the best of your Judgement.

On your arrival at Sooloo you are to deliver the Accompanying Packet to M^r^. Dalrymple and follow such Orders as you shall receive from him for your future proceedings.

Should you not find M^r^. Dalrymple at Sooloo or receive any Intelligence from him there, you are to make the best of you [*sic*] way to Canton and follow the Orders of the Supra Cargoes there to whom you are in that case to deliver the Packet for M^r^. Dalrymple.

Dated in Fort S^t^. George the 1^st^. day of August 1762.

George Pigot &c^a^. Council.

List of the Packet to Canton P^r^. Royal Captain.

N°. 1 General Letter Dated 31^st^. July 1762.
2 Duplicate General Letter Dated 7^th^. June 1762.
3 Copy of the Royal Captains Charter Party.
4 Copy of Captain Tanners Commission to Sieze unlicens'd Persons.
5 Manifest of Goods & Merchandize ℔ Royal Captain.
6 Copy of the Royal Captains Victualling Bill.
7 Invoice ℔ Royal Captain to Canton.
8 Invoice of Cotton to Canton ℔ Osterley, Essex & Royal Captain.
9 Bills of Lading.
10 Packet from the President and Council of Bombay.

Fort S^t^. George 1^st^. August 1762.

William Aldersey,
Sec^ry^.

List of the Packet to Sooloo ℔ Royal Captain.

N°. 1 General Letter to M^r^. Alex^r^. Dalrymple Dated 1^st^. August 1762.
2 Invoice ℔ Royal Captain.
3 Invoice of Pearl.
4 Bills of Lading.
5 Copy of Captain Tanners sailing orders.
6 Packet to the Supra Cargoes at Canton under a Flying seal.
7 Separate Packet to the Supra Cargoes of Council at Canton p^r^. Royal Captain.

Fort S^t^. George 4^th^. August 1762.

William Aldersey,
Sec^ry^.

N°. 87.

To the Honble Henry Vansittart Esq^r^.
President and Governor &c^a^. Council
of Fort William.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Since Writing to you the 30 June we have received your Letters dated 7th. and 28th. of that Month.

(2nd) We observe what you write concerning the great Repairs wanting to the Cuddalore Schooner and Leopard Snow. Their Long Detention was owing to very particular occasions when We can ever avoid the like again you may depend on our doing so.

(3rd.) It is very certain that the Company are much indebted to M^r^. Coote and his Regiment for the Services he has done on the Coast, they are under the same obligations also to the other Regiments of his Majesty who have served here, but as all these Regiments came abroad without any contingent Money the Colonels of them M^r^. Coote among the rest desired that We would supply their wants and promised to give us Certificates of our having done so. We had certainly therefore a right to expect he would leave it to the Government at home to make the remark he has done, His certifying to what he has received does not oblige the Government to pay the Amount if they think it improper. We must desire therefore that you will tender the Accounts again to him.

(4th.) Our Honble Masters Ships the Clinton and Essex arrived from Madiera the 11th. of last Month, & the Drake the 3rd. Instant directly from England she left Portsmouth the 25th. March in company with the Harcourt Elizabeth and Horsendon bound to China, The Hardwick for Coast & Bay, and the Winchelsea and Hector for Madiera. She parted from the Winchelsea and Hector the 12th. April in the Latt: of 39. 57 N°. from the Harcourt, Elizabeth & Hardwick the 17th. May in Latt. 8·10 S°. and from the Horsendon the 16th. June in Lattitude 35·55 South.

(5th.) The Grosvenor for Coast and China & to call at Madiera and the Walpole for Coast & Bay left England some time before these ships. The Drake fell in with the Grosvenor the 19th. June and parted from her the next day.

(6th.) The Osterley saild the 1st. Instant with Admiral Cornish & the Essex the 4th. under Convoy of the Falmouth. These ships proceed first to Manilha and then to China. The Royal Captain sailed yesterday for Sooloo and China. By these Ships & the True Briton which Saild the 1st. of last Month directly for China We have consign'd to the SupraCargoes near fourteen Lack of Rupees, We were in hopes of making this Sum Larger, but the non arrival of the Prince Edward has put it out of our Power, and as We have not heard of this Ships being any where to the Northward We fear some Accident has happened to her. The Fox imported here from Batavia the 27th. of last Month.

(7th.) This waits on you by the Admiral Watson which Ship we dispatch to you agreable to what We wrote the 24th. June.

(8th.) The Fatteedad has landed here the Salt Petre which you had put on Board her for Bombay. This Quantity with what we before had may make about One Hundred & Fifty Tons & will serve for our October Ship, but we much fear we shall be deficient, a hundred or a Hundred & Fifty Tons in Bale Goods, should Your Honour &c^a^. be able to put that Quantity on board the Godolphin and Admiral Watson over & above their proper Europe Cargoes and permit those Ships to call here in the Month of September they may proceed home in Company with the ship We dispatch from hence. But in case you think it improper to send those ships We must beg you will dispatch to us the Leopard Snow with some Bales of your Investment and what Salt Petre She can take in as soon as possible that We may not run any Danger from the Ships laying here after the change of the Monsoon.

(9th.) The Tilbury, Clinton & Syren Snow will follow this ship in few days.

(10th.) Enclosed you have Invoice & Bill of Lading for what Redwood has been put on board the Admiral Watson at this Place. The Captain is ordered to call at Duraspatam to take in a Quantity. We have lying there, an Account of which will be transmitted you from thence.

We are
HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedient Humble Servants
GEORGE PIGOT &CA. COUNCIL.

FORT ST. GEORGE
6TH. AUGUST 1762.

No. 88.

TO CAPTAIN FRANCIS FOWLER
COMMANDER OF THE ADMIRAL WATSON.

SIR

You are hereby ordered to repair on board and proceed to Duraspatam where you are to receive a Quantity of Redwood on the Honble Companys Account and then make the best of your way to Calcutta and deliver the accompanying Packet to the President & Council there, whose Orders you are to follow for your future Proceedings.

DATED IN FORT ST. GEORGE THE 7TH. AUGUST 1762.

GEORGE PIGOT
&CA. COUNCIL.

No. 89.

TO THE HONBLE CHARLES CROMMELIN ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL OF BOMBAY.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Enclosed is duplicate of our last dated the 23rd. Ultimo.

You have already been acquainted of the arrival of the Tilbury, Essex & Clinton from Europe, the Drake came in the 3rd. Instant, and the Grosvenor & Hardwick the 8th. The Drake & Hardwick left Portsmouth the 25th. March in Company with the Harcourt, Elizabeth and Horsenden, bound to China, and the Winchelsea & Hector for Madiera, they parted from the two latter the 12th. April in the Latt. of 39. 57 N. Horsenden the 16th. June and from the Harcourt and Elizabeth the 23rd. June in 36. 12 South.

The Osterly saild the 1st. Instant with Admiral Cornish and the Essex the 4th. under Convoy of the Falmouth. These ships proceed first to Manilha and then to China. The Royal Captain saild the 5th. she is to call first at Sooloo and proceed from thence to China. By these Ships and the True Briton which sailed the 1st. of last Month directly for China We have consigned to the Supra Cargoes near fourteen Lacks.

The Great scarcity of Rupees here at present has raised their Price so considerably that We must request in case you should have occasion to make

use of the Liberty [We] offered [you] you in our Letter of the 17th. June to draw upon us to the Amount of five Lacks that you will settle an Exchange for them to be discharged in Pagodas.

The Fox imported here from Batavia the 27th. of last Month.

We are

FORT ST. GEORGE
12TH. AUGUST 1762.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedient Humble Servants

GEORGE PIGOT &CA. COUNCIL.

No. 90.

TO [illegible]TTART ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL OF FORT WILLIAM.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

We wrote you the 6th. Instant by the Admiral Watson of which Duplicate has been forwarded by a Country Vessel, and have now the pleasure to acquaint you of the arrival of the Hardwick and Grosvenor from Europe.

We have been obliged to open the Packet addressed to your Honor &ca. from Madeira & Essex as We must likewise those by all the other Madeira ships consigned to us that the Entrys in our Books may be made agreable to the Invoices, the method We shall observe in all these Consignments shall be to credit Account Current London for the whole Consignment according to Invoice and debt your Presidency for what We forward to you.

The Quantity of Madeira Wine consign'd to your Presidency and to ours respectively are equal but as We have been obliged to supply his Majestys Squadron and the Troops sent on the Expedition to Manilha, as also the West Coast Presidency, We persuade ourselves that you will think it reasonable to furnish out of your Quantity the half of these demands. We have Issued for the above purposes 62 Pipes, and We hope you will approve of our detaining Thirty of your Consignment on that Account.

The whole consigned to you by the Essex was ...			55
Leaked out on Board	1		
Sent on the Expedition	30		
			31
		Pipes	24

The remainder of that consignment is 24 Pipes which We now send you on the Honble Companys Sloop Syren in the same condition they were landed from the Essex, the deficiencies We adjusted with the Captain of that ship (as We shall do with all others) according to Charter party.

Enclosed is Copy of a Paragraph from one of the Letter received this Season from our Honble Masters relating to MR. Henry Harling who we are informed is at your Presidency.

We are

FORT ST. GEORGE
12TH. AUGUST 1762.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS
Your most Obedient Humble Servants

GEORGE PIGOT &CA. COUNCIL.

No. 91.

To Mr. George Boswall
Commanding the Snow Syren.

Sir

You are hereby directed to repair on Board and make the best of your Way to the Port of Calcutta in Bengal where on your arrival you are to deliver the accompanying Packet to the President & Council there whose orders you are to follow for your future Proceedings.

Dated in Fort St. George 12th. Augt. 1762.

George Pigot &ca. Council.

List of the Packet to Fort William ℔ Syren.

No. 1 General Letter . . . Dated 12th. August 1762.
2 Triplicate General Letter . . . 6th. August 1762.
3 Extract from the Companys General Letter to Fort St. George dated 19th. February 1762.
4 Invoice of Madeira Wine.
5 Bill of Lading.
6 Packet from Madeira to the President & Council of Fort William received ℔ Essex.
7 Account of Stores supplied the Snow Syren.
8 Copy of Captain Boswalls sailing orders.

Fort St. George 12th. August 1762.

Wm. Aldersey
Secry.

No. 92.

To the Honble Henry Vansittart Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council at Fort William.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We have already wrote to you under this date by the Snow Syren of which Duplicate accompanys this. The Clinton having delivered her Consignments for this Place now proceeds to you.

We have detained here a Hawser of 11 Inches from the Stores for your Presidency by this ship for which We shall give you credit upon our Books as soon as We receive from you an Account of the Cost. The Consignments for your Presidency by the Grosvenor will be forwarded in the Tilbury.

Of the Salt Petre landed here from the Tattee Dad there is a deficiency of one Candy six Maunds and 19 Pounds.

We are
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most Obedient Humble Servants
George Pigot &ca. Council.

Fort St. George
12 August 1762.

P.S.—Besides the Hawser mentioned in the 2nd. Paragraph of this Letter We have detain'd also a Mast of 78 Feet long and 19 Inches Diameter for the use of his Majestys Squadron.

No. 93.

To Captain Nathaniel Smith
of the Clinton.

Sir

You are hereby ordered to repair on board your ship and make the best of your way to the River of Bengal and proceed as far as Rogues River, from whence you are to forward the Packet herewith delivered you to the President and Council of Fort William and on no account to carry your ship higher up, without their particular directions. We wish you a good Voyage and Date this in Fort St. George the 12th. Day of August 1762.

George Pigot &ca. Council.

List of the Packet to Fort William ℔ Clinton.

No. 1 General Letter . . . Dated 12th. August 1762.
2 Duplicate General Letter ℔ Syren . . . 12th. August 1762.
3 Copy of Clintons Charter party.
4 Copy of Captain Smiths Commission to sieze unlicensed Persons.
5 Manifest of Goods &ca. ℔ Ship Clinton.
6 Copy of the Clintons Victualling Bill.
7 Account of Merchandize landed by the Captain & Officers of the Clinton.
8 Extract from the Companys General Letter to Fort St. George dated 19th. February 1762.
9 Account of Stores defecient ℔ Clinton to be transmitted to Europe by that ship.
10 Account of Stores detained at Fort St. George of the consignments to Fort William ℔ Clinton.
11 Copy of Captain Smiths Sailing Orders.

Fort St. George 12th. Augt. 1762.

William Aldersey
Secry.

No. 94.

To the Honble Henry Vansittart Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council of Fort William.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Mr. Cornish having acquainted us that he has charged Capt. Daniel with some dispatches for England and desired that We will provide him with a Passage on the first Ship dispatched from hence, We should in consequence thereof have ordered Captain Daniel a passage on Board the Admiral Watson (which is the first ship dispatched from hence and intended for Europe) had the Admirals letter been delivered to us in time, but as that ship sailed some days ago for Bengal Captain Daniel proceeds thither in order to take his Passage for England on the first Ship, We request therefore that you will be pleased to give orders that he may be accomodated accordingly.

We are

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most Obedient Humble Servants
George Pigot &ca. Council.

Fort St. George
17th. August 1762.

N°. 95.

To the Honble Henry Vansittart Esq^r^.

President & Governor &c^a^. Council of Fort William.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Our last was by the Clinton dated the 12^th^. Inst. of which Duplicate accompanys this—the Tilbury now proceeds to you on which ship We send a Quantity of Redwood agreable to Invoice & Bill of Lading enclosed.

By the ship Grosvenor Fifty five Pipes of Madeira Wine are consigned to us to be forwarded to you, two of them leaked out on board entirely, the other Fifty three are now sent to you by the Tilbury, for which We debit your Presidency according to the Invoice enclosed, The Defficiency in these Pipes will appear by an Account of the Gauge sent herewith.

The other Consignments for your Presidency by the Grosvenor are also sent on board the Tilbury the particulars whereof will appear by the Invoice.

Mr. Cornish having addressed a Letter to us desiring that we would provide Capt. Daniel (whom he has charged with some dispatches) with a Passage to Europe on the first ship. We informed Capt. Daniel that he might proceed on any of the Companys Ships to Bengal & that We would request of your Honor &c^a^. to order him a Passage on the first ship that should sail from thence, this he declines for reasons which are set forth in his Letter to us, a Copy whereof is enclosed. As We cannot without great Inconvenience permit him to proceed Home on the Ship intended to be dispatched from hence in October, and We do not foresee any disadvantage that woud arise to the Company should the Godolphin or Admiral Watson touch here We are to request the favour that Your honour &c^a^. will be pleased to order one or both of those Ships to call at this Port which will give us also an opportunity of sending a Number of French Prisoners from hence who are very troublesome & of conveying to England duplicate of our Advices.

We have recd from Mr. John Young late Supra Cargo of the Prussian Ship which was lost in the River of Bengal in 1756 a Letter dated @ Lyons the 15^th^. Decr. 1761 on the subject of a Claim he makes upon Mr. Renault for a debt of Twenty thousand Sicca Rupees with Interest due thereon, in the recovery of which he taxes Mr. Chanlay who was also Supra Cargo of that Ship with having interfered, and requests our assistance in procuring him Justice. As both Mr. Renault & Mr. Chanley are in Bengal We enclose a copy of Mr. Youngs Letter that you may give such Attention to his Remonstrance as you shall see proper.

We request that our last Indent for Packing stuff may be complied with by the first opportunity.

We are

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your most Obedient Hble Servants

George Pigot &c^a^. Council.

Fort St. George
21^st^. August 1762

No. 96.

To Captain Roger Mainwaring
of the Tilbury.

Sir

You are hereby ordered to repair on board your Ship, and make the best of your way to the River of Bengal and proceed as far as Rogues River, from whence you are to forward the Packet herewith delivered to you, to the President & Council of Fort William and on no Account to carry your Ship higher up, without their particular directions. We wish you a good Voyage & date this in Fort St. George the 22nd. day of August 1762.

George Pigot &ca. Council.

List of the Packet to Fort William ℔ Tilbury.

No. 1 General Letter . . . Dated 21st. August 1762.
2 Duplicate Ditto . . . 12th. Augt. 1762.
3 Copy of a Letter from Capt. Daniel to the President & Council.
4 Ditto . . . Mr. John Young to Ditto dated @ Lyons 15th. Decr. 1761.
5 Ditto . . . Mr. Renault to Mr. Richd. Douglas Attorney to Mr. John Young dated 12th. Novr. 1759.
6 Copy of the Tilburys Charter Party.
7 Ditto of Capt. Mainwarings Commission to seize unlicensed Persons.
8 Manifest of Goods & Merchandize licensed to be shipt on board the Tilbury for Coast & Bay.
9 Account of Merchandize landed at Fort St. George by the Captain & Officers of the Tilbury.
10 Copy of the Tilburys Victualling Bill.
11 Account of Copper deficient ℔ Tilbury.
12 Acct. deficiency in the Madeira Wine shipp'd from the Grosvenor on board the Tilbury for Fort William.
13 Invoice of Medicines &ca. ℔ Grosvenor for Fort William.
14 Ditto . . . of Madeira Wine &ca.
15 Ditto of Stores (recd ℔ Grosvenor).
16 Ditto of Redwood.
17 Bills of Lading.
18 Packet from the Companys Agents at Madiera to the President & Council of Fort William recd. ℔ Grosvenor.
19 Copy of Captain Mainwarings sailing Orders.

Fort St. George 22nd. August 1762.

William Aldersey
Secretary.

No. 97.

To the Honble Henry Vansittart Esqr.

President & Governor &ca. Council of Fort William.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Enclosed is duplicate of our last dated 21st Inst. by our Honble Masters ship Tilbury—You will receive this by the Drake with a further supply of Redwood agreable to Invoice & Bill of Lading transmitted herewith.

We refer to the List of the Packet for the several other Papers enclosed & are

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your Obedient Humble Servants

George Pigot &ca. Council.

Fort St. George
24th. August 1762.

No. 98.

To Capt. John Smith

of the Drake.

Sir

You are hereby ordered to repair on board your ship and make the best of your way to the River of Bengal and proceed as far as Rogues River from whence you are to forward to the Packet herewith delivered to you to the President & Council of Fort William, and on no account to carry your ship higher up without their particular directions. We wish you a good voyage and date this in Fort St. George the 25th. day of August 1762.

George Pigot &ca. Council.

List of the Packet to Fort William ℔ Drake.

No. 1 General Letter Dated 24th. August 1762.
2 Duplicate Do. ditto.
3 Copy of a Letter from Capt. Samuel to the President & Council.
4 Ditto. Mr. Young to ditto dated at Lyons 15 Decr. 1761.
5 Ditto. Mr. Renault to Mr. Richard Dougl Attorney to Mr. John Young dated 12th. Novr. 1759.
6 Copy of the Drakes Charter Party.
7 Copy of Capt. Smith Commission to Seize Unlicensed Persons.
8 Manifest of Goods & Merchandize licensed to be shipped on boa the Drake for Coast & Bay.
9 Account of Merchandize landed at Fort St. George by the Ca and Officers of the Drake.
10 Copy of the Drake's Victualling Bill.
11 Account of Lead deficient ℔ Drake.
12 Invoice of Redwood.
13 Bill of Lading.
14 Invoice of Redwood ℔ Admiral Watson.
15 Copy of Capt. Smiths Sailing Orders.

Fort St. George
25th. August 1762.

William Aldersey,
Secry.

No. 99.

To Thomas Heath Esqr.
Chief of Vizagapatam.

Sir

We are surprised to observe by the Proposals of your Merchants transmitted with your Letter of 21st. June, that they should persist in asking such high Terms to provide cloth for the Investment. The difference between the Sortments now required and those formerly provided can make but an inconsiderable one in the charge of the Manufacture. We therefore expect to receive more reasonable Proposals of which you will acquaint the Merchants.

We are
Your Affectionate Friends
George Pigot &ca. Council.

Fort St. George
2nd. Septr. 1762.

No. 100.

To the Honble Henry Vansittart Esqr.
President & Governor &ca. Council
at Fort William.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We wrote to you the 24th. August by the Drake this goes by the Hardwicke which Ship proceeds first to Mazulipatam to take in some heavy Cannon and Stores and We shall take every other opportunity to comply fully with your Indent.

We have recd your Letter of the 12th. July & with pleasure observe that the Godolphin being repaired will be able to proceed on her Voyage to Europe. The Fox We purpose to detain here for our October Ship and We must repeat our request that your Honour &ca. will assist us with as many Bales as you can as far one Hundred Tons if possible as We fear We shall fall short of the Quantity of Goods We had reason to expect.

We are
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your obedient Hble Servants
George Pigot &ca. Council.

Fort St. Georg
2nd. Septr. 1762.

No. 101.

To Richd. Fairfield Esqr.
Chief of Mazulipatam.

Sir

We observe by your return of Stores at Mazulipatam & Devey that you have a Number of 6 & 9 Pr. Grape & Shot, if they are of iron you will be pleased to send us by the first sea Conveyance 200 rounds of each & all the 8 Inch Shells you have at either Place. Fuzees of all kinds and the Carcasses.

We are surprised that the Merchants at Bandarmalanka should persist in asking such high terms to provide Cloth for the Investment as appear by their proposals transmitted with your Letter of the 4th. Instant, the difference

between the Sortments now required & those formerly provided can make but [. . .] considerable one in the charge of the Manufacture, We therefore expect to receive more reasonable proposals from them, & this you will acquaint Mr. Dolben with that he may communicate the same to the Merchants.

You will be pleased to advertise that sealed Proposals will be received for reletting such of the Farms dependant on Mazulipatam whose Cowles are yet to expire, for the Term of one year from the expiration of their respective dates, which are to be transmitted to us by the 30 Septr. when they will be opened with such as may be given in at this Place for which purpose We shall also cause advertisements to be affixed.

We are

Sir

Your affectionate friends

Fort St. George
2nd. Septr. 1762.

George Pigot &ca. Council.

N°. 102.

To Capt. Brooke Samson
of the Hardwicke.

Sir

You are hereby directed to repair on board & make the best of your way to Mazulipatam where on your arrival you are to deliver the accompanying Packet to Mr. Richard Fairfield the Chief there after disembarking the Invalids & their Baggage you are without delay to proceed to the River of Bengal as far up as Rogues River from whence you are to forward the Packet herewith delivered you to the President & Council of Fort William, & on no Account to carry your Ship higher without their particular directions. We wish you a good Voyage & date this in Fort St. George the 4th. day of September 1762.

George Pigot &ca. Council.

List of the Packet to Fort William ℔ Hardwicke.

N°. 1 General Letter dated 2nd Sepr. 1762.
2 Duplicate d°. . . . 24th. August.
3 Copy to Capt. [Samsons . . .] Commission to sieze Unlicenced persons.
4 D°. of the Hardwicke's Charter Party.
5 Manifest of Goods & Merchandize ℔ Hardwicke.
6 Account of ditto . . . landed by the Captain & Officers of the Hardwicke.
7 Copy of the Hardwicke's Victualling Bill.
8 Copy of Camp Accounts in Bengal for January 1757 signed by Mr. John Walsh Paymaster to the Madras Troops on the Expedition.

Fort St. George
2nd. September 1762.

Wm. Aldersey,
Secry.

N°. 103.

To Charles Turner Esq^r^.
Chief of Cuddalore.

Sir

We have reĉed your Letter of the 18^th^. Ult^o^. and in consequence of your request for a supply of Money We dispatched to You yesterday Twenty thousand Pagodas under the charge of a Party of Seapoys.

We are

Sir

Your affectionate friends

Fort S^t^. George
8^th^. Sep^tr^. 1762.

George Pigot &c^a^. Council.

N°. 104.

To Mess^rs^. Thomas Fitzhugh, Sam^l^. Blount, John Burrow, Rich^d^. Wood, Nathan^l^. Garland, Alexander Hume, Stephen De Visme, Francis Wood, Benjamin Torin, Thomas Smith, Thomas Thomas, W^m^. Rous & John Walton, Supra Cargoes of Council at Canton.

Gentlemen

Our last advices were by the Essex, Osterley, & Royal Captain dated 31^st^. July 1^st^. & 4 August which are now forwarded in Duplicate & Triplicate respectively.

By this Ship the Grosvenor We consign you a [further supply of] Treasure & a Quantity of Redwood agrea[ble to the] Invoice & Bill [of Lading] enclosed. TheHaughton [Sic] left England [in comp]any with the Grosvenor but having reĉed some damage [by heavy] Wind was obliged to put back & We have not heard of her [since].

The Drake arrived here the 3^rd^. [August & the] Hardwicke the 8^th^. they left Portsmouth the 25^th^. [March in company with . . .] the Harcourt, Elizabeth & Horsenden [bound to China, and the Winchelsea and Hector . . .] for Madeira & Bombay. They parted from the [Winchelsea and Hector the 12^th^. April in . . .] Latt. 39. 57 N°. from the Horsenden 16^th^. June and [. . .]. June in 36. 12 South.

The Fox arrived [the 26^th^. July] And as We apprehended it would be late in the Season before she could be dispatched to China We detain her for our October Ship.

M^r^. Dalrymple in his Voyage to Sooloo in the Cuddalore Schooner in the Year 1761 received of the Sultan & others Sundry Articles of Merchandize in Barter for others which he carried thither, upon Condition that the Articles he received should be sold at Canton for Account of the Sultan &c^a^. who obliged themselves to make good a certain Value should the Sales fall short thereof, as on the contrary the Surplus should they exceed are to be accounted for with the Sultan, We sent you by the Essex some Birds Nest & Becha de Mar being part of the above mentioned Merchandize, but in the hurry of dispatching the ships then going on the Expedition to Manilha omitted to acquaint you of these particulars, We now send you by the Grosvenor the remainder of that Adventure the particulars whereof will appear by the Invoice enclosed. In order that the Account may be properly adjusted with the Sultan of Sooloo We are to request that you will be pleased to transmit us an Acc^t^. of the Sales or if M^r^. Dalrymple should be at Canton that you will please to deliver them to him with such Information touching the same as may enable him to give a Satisfactory Account to the concerned.

Mr. John Holland a Companys Servants of this this [*sic*] Establishment proceeds in the Grosvenor to try a change of Air for the Recovery of his Health.

A part of the Treasure consigned to you this Season is in Sicca Rupees, The Gentlemen at B[engal acquaint] us they are dwts. 13 better than Standard —Our Arcot Rupees are [. . . more] than Standard, which may be necessary for your informat[ion.]

We are

FORT ST. GEORGE
10TH. SEPTR. 1762.

GENTLEMEN
Your most obedient humble Servants
GEORGE PIGOT &CA. COUNCIL.

N°. 105.

TO CAPT. DAVID SAUNDERS
OF THE GROSVENOR.

SIR

You are hereby ordered to repair on board your [Ship] & make the best of your way to the Port of Canton. If you should [find] it impracticable to gain your Passage by going the usual [Track]. We recommend to you to proceed through the Streights which Capt. Wm. Willson in the Pitt passed the beginning of the Year 1759. As your reaching China will be of the utmost consequence to the Company you must use every Measure possible to get there. Upon your arrival you are to deliver the accompanying Packet to the Supra Cargoes & follow their orders for your further Proceedings. We wish you a safe & speedy Voyage & date this in Fort St. George the 13th. September 1762.

GEORGE PIGOT &CA. COUNCIL.

LIST OF THE PACKET TO CANTON ℔ GROSVENOR.

N°. 1 General Letter . . . dated 10th. Septr. 1762.
2 Duplicate Ditto . . . 4 August 1762.
3 Triplicate Ditto . . . 1 August 1762.
4 Ditto . . . 31st. July 1762.
5 Invoice of the Grosvenor from Europe to Canton.
6 Bill of Lading of Ditto.
7 Copy of Capt. Partingtons Instructions.
8 Ditto of the Grosvenors Charter Party.
9 Ditto of Capt. Partingtons Commission to seize unlicenced [persons].
10 Manifest of Goods & Merchandize licensed to be shipped [on board] the Grosvenor for Fort St. George & China.
11 Copy of the Grosvenors Victualling Bill.
12 Acct. deficiencys of Copper & Madiera Wine ℔ Grosvenor [. . .] forwarded to Europe by the ship.
13 Receipts for unserviceable Guns [laden . . .].
14 Invoice of Treasure ℔ Grosvenor.
15 Ditto. Redwood ℔ Do.
16 Bills of Lading of Do.
17 Abstracts of the Invoice to Canton [℔ . Essex, Osterley .] & Royal Captain.
18 Copy of Capt. Saunders sailing orders.
19 Price Current of China Goods at Fort St. George.

FORT ST. GEORGE
13TH. SEPR. 1762.

WM. ALDERSEY,
Secry.

N°. 106.

To the Honble Charles Crommelin Esqr.
President & Govr. &ca. Council
at Bombay.

Honble Sir & Sirs

We have reced your Letters dated the 14th. July & 12th. August. In the latter you acquaint us of your Intention to send round two ships to be provided on this side with Cargoes for Europe. We are to acquaint Your Honor &ca. that the Fox having arrived from Batavia so late that We apprehended the Season would be far advanced before she could be dispatched to China & as she had been one Season in India We detain her for our Octr. ship, & We have sent to Bengal the Clinton Tilbury Drake & Hardwick. We expect the Walpole & Earl of Ashburnham daily these if they arrive safe in Bengal with one Ship from your Coast will be as many as can be dispatched from Bengal & hence by March next. But as We shall want a ship much to go to Bencoolen or Perchance to Manilha; if you cannot dispatch home the second ship you mention We shall be glad to have her sent here & not to Bengal.

At present We have only Gold in our Treasury having sent to China all the silver procurable but should We be able to get any by the departure of the ships from hence in October We will send it to you by them. This is however doubtfull that if any opportunity offers of making you a remittance [. . .] half Lacks We will make use of it.

The Company having informed [. . .]ing the Bales at your Presidency [. . . par]ticular construction introduced by the late Mr. Lamb are made use of to good Effect and recommend us to apply to you for a Sett or more as We might want them [We] are to desire that your Honour &ca. will be pleased to send us a Sett [at] the first opportunity.

We are
Honble Sir & Sirs
Your most obedient humble Servants
George Pigot &ca. Council

Fort St. George
11th. Septr. 1762.

N°. 107.

To Charles Turner Esqr.
Chief of Cuddalore.

Sir

By the Brittania Snow, We clearly sent a[. . .] Stores you Indented for, the remainder you will now receive [by the boat] Latchmy agreable to the Invoice & Bill of Lading enclosed.

We are
Sir
Your Affectio[nate Friends]
[George Pigot &ca. Council

Fort St. George
17th. Septr. 1762.

N°. 108.

To the Honble Henry Vansittart Esq^r^.
President & Governor &c^a^. Council at Fort William.

Hon̄ble Sir & Sirs

In our [Letter to you dated the 2nd September. We] acquainted you that ship [Hardwicke . . proceeds to masulipa]tam for your Presidency, [the Season . . .] was too for advanced to [. .] Captain after delivering [. . . proceed to] Bengal without loss of time.

Your Honour [. . .] our Invoices of Madeira Wine sent [. . .] ged according to the Madeira Invoice [. . .] although they were deficient by Leakage [. . . .] adjusted and certified by the Commanders of [. . .] imported in order that the same may be [. . .] Company & their owners. We have of Course [. . .] Account Current London and Credit your Presidency for the same as you will be pleased to observe by the enclosed Copy of the Journal Entry in our Import Warehouse Books.

As We have a large Quantity of Copper on hand & expect some also by the Haughton [sic] We shall be glad to know if you think you can vend five or six Hundred Candys & at what Price.

We are

Hon̄ble Sir & Sirs

Fort S^t^. George ur most obedient humble Servants
23^rd^. Sept^r^. 1762. George Pigot &c^a^. Council.

N°. 109.

To Thomas Whitehill Esq^r^.
[Chief] &c^a^. Council at Anjengo.

Gentlemen

We received Yesterday your Letter of the 31^st^. of [August] advising of your having drawn a Sett of Bills of Exchange upon [us in favour of] Daquen Nilacanda for twenty five thousand Bombay [New Rupees We] shall duely honor, had your Draft been made payable [to Bombay we might] have discharged it without inconvenience, but [Bombay Rupees are] so very dear at this Place that We may perhaps [. . .] very disadvantageous Exchange.

[We are]

Fort S^t^. George [Gentlem]en
28^th^. Sept^r^. 1762. Your affectionate Friends
George Pigot &c^a^. Council.

N°. 110.

To the Honble Charles Crommelin Esqr.
President & Gov^r^. &c^a^. Council
At Bombay.

[Hon̄]ble Sir & Sirs

We enclose duplicate of our last Letter to [you] dated 11^th^. Instant, also a Letter from Fort William for [. .].

We are

Fort S^t^. George Honble Sir & Sirs
28^th^. Sept^r^. 1762. Your obedient Hble Servants
George Pigot &c^a^. Council.

[. . .] have drawn on us a
[. . . which] We shall duely honour.

N°. 111.

To CHARLES TURNER ESQR.
CHIEF OF CUDDALORE.

SIR

We have received your Letters of the 16th. & 27th. In[stants] and now send you by Peons a further supply of Twenty thousand Pag[odas] on Account of the Investment.

We are

FORT ST. GEORGE — SIR

30th. SEPTR. 1762. — Your affectionate Friends

GEORGE PIGOT &CA. COUNCIL.

N°. 112.

To RICHD. FAIRFIELD ESQR.
CHIEF OF MAZULIPATAM.

SIR

The proposals delivered in for ren[ting the Farms] dependant on Mazulipatam which are about to expi[re having been] opened the 5th. Instant, they are relet for the ensuing [year as herein] mentioned.

PETTAH JUNCAN & IDROBAD CUSTOMS } To Mahomed [Hussein]
MAZULIPATAM & PONRACCA SALT } To Maho[med Hussein]
NARSAPORE TOWN — To [Bellapregadoo Caumiah]

for which the respective Co[wles are herewith forwarded for delivery to them.]

We are

FORT ST. GEORGE — SIR

12TH. OCTOBER 1762. — Your affectionate Friends

GEORGE PIGOT &CA. COUNCIL.

N°. 113.

To THE HONBLE HENRY VANSITTART ESQR.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &CA. COUNCIL.
AT FORT WILLIAM.

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Our last to you [was dated the 23rd, September] We have since received your several Letter [s dated the 26th. August and the 6th. Septr.]

The Salt Petre you consigned to us by the Spencer will We hope enable us to dispatch the Fox for Europe the latter end of this Month fully laden.

Should the present tranquility on the Coast remain undisturbed We flatter ourselves that as large an Investment may be made as heretofore, but it must be a work of time. The Manufacturers who have been dispersed & obliged to seek for other means of support return to their former employments but slowly and as yet are not much to be depended upon & consequently the promises of our Merchants are equally precarious, We think however that We may venture to say We shall have about Two hundred Tons in Bales ready by the end of January & We therefore leave it to your Honour &ca. to send us a ship to [tak]e in that Quantity.

We are at a loss what to say concerning the [Stores i]ndented for by the Gentlemen of Fort Marlbro, We have not at [present any] Vessell to send thither nor are We as yet provided with any [of the stores] they desire except Salt When We take a view of the State of (shipping received) & expected we find it so precarious that We are un[able to form a plan] & must be guided by future Events Your Honour &c^{a}. [. . .] the following statement.

[. . . Suppo]sing that with the assistance of Two hundred [tons from us they should [be able to dispatch the Tilbury, Clinton] Hardwicke and Admiral] Watson & one Ship expected from Bombay [. . .] remain.

[. . .] probably arrive from Bombay to [. . .].

[. . .] for Coast & Bay, tho it be late may yet [. . .].

[. . .] to be employed as occasion may require [. . .] for Madeira Coast & China should she arrive [. . .] her to proceed to China this Season she may be [. . .].

[. . . Roy]al George carried M^{r}. Carter &c^{a}. to the West Coast in [. . .] be detained there or may be sent to Manilha & from thence return hither.

The Prince Henry Packet is expected from the [. . .].

Out of all these contingencies We think a con[signment] may be reasonably depended on for the West Coast Stores & should [the] Expedition to Manilha succeed it may be necessary to send a ship th[ither].

The Iron consigned to this Presidency by the Hardwi[cke] having turned out deficient on landing here an Account of such Deficiency was tendered to Capt^{t}. Samson which he declined signing, We therefore now enclose his Bill of Lading with such deficiencies endorsed off which you will be pleased to give up to him upon his signing the enclosed Statement of deficiencys which should he still refuse to comply with you will be pleased to forward with the said statement in the ships Packet for England where this Matter may be adjusted [according] to the terms of Charter Party.

We are

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Your most obedient humble Servants

GEORGE PIGOT &C^{A}. COUNCIL.

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE
16TH. OCTOBER 1762.

N^{o}. 114.

TO RICH^{D}. FAIRFIELD ESQ^{R}.
CHIEF OF MAZULIPATAM.

SIR

We [have received your letter of the 4th. Inst^{t}.] with the new proposals from [the Bandarmalanka Merchants] to provide Cloth for the Investment [. . . there]fore immediately advis[. . .] to encourage the Mer-[chants to exert themselves on this occasion and to pro]vide as large a Quantity as [. . .] be glad to know what Number of [. . .] by that time.

You will [supply M^{r}. Dolben] with the necessary sums for advances to [. . .] as before directed.

We are

SIR,

Your Affectionate Friends

GEORGE PIGOT &C^{A}. COUNCIL.

FORT S^{T}. GEORGE
16TH. OCTOBER 1762.

N°. 115.

[To CHARLES] TURNER ESQR.
[CHIEF] OF CUDDALORE.

SIR

Having examined the Goods you have lately sent upon Account of the Investment We have made the following observations on comparing them with the Musters.

LONG CLOTH SHEALLY N°. 1 & 2	Pretty near the Muster but in some places the Threads unequal.
LONG CLOTH SALEM N°. 1 & 2.	Substantial & strong Cloth, but not so good as formerly provided & too coarse.
LONG CLOTH WORRIAR POLLAM N°. W & 2.	too great a disproportion between N°. 1 & 2 and very little better than our Ordinary Long Cloth at 42 Pags. ℔ Corge.
[SALAMPORES] MIDLING . .	Very good & equal to the Muster.

[BLUE CLOTH]. Good, but somewhat Inferior to that formerly provided at St. David.

[Conside]ring the difficultys that might at first be [. . . .] at Fort St. David We are satisfied [. . .] same time We recommend to you to [be constantly attentive to the improve]ment of the Manufactures and [particularly in the instances] abovementioned.

We are

SIR

Your Affecte. Friends

GEORGE PIGOT &CA. COUNCIL.

FORT ST. GEORGE
18TH. OCTOBER 1762.

N°. 116.

[To THOMAS WHITEHILL ESQR.
CHIEF &CA. OF ANJENGO].

GENTLEMEN

We enclose duplicate of our Letter to you dated [the 19th.] September.

By this ship the Spencer We forward to you the [bales] of Cloth received from Mahomed Usoff Cawn which accompanied [our] Letter of the 8th. March by his Majestys ship, Falmouth, but which [are] returned to us as that ship failed in her Passage to your Coast.

We are

GENTLEMEN

Your Affectionate Friends

GEORGE PIGOT &CA. COUNCIL.

FORT ST. GEORGE
23RD OCTOBER 1762.

N°. 117.

To CHARLES TURNER ESQ^R^.
CHIEF OF CUDDALORE.

SIR

The President & Council of Bengal [con]signed to us by the Chesterfield a quantity of Packing [Stuff] of which & Bill of Lading have been sent to us [. . .] latter that you may demand the Contents of Cap^t^. [Duff the Commander and when] landed be lodged safely with you untill an [opportunity offers of sending] it hither.

We are

SIR

[Your affectionate Friends]

FORT S^T^. GEORGE

12^TH^. NOV^R^. 1762.

GEORGE PIGOT &C^A^. COUNCIL.

N°. 118.

To THE HONBLE HENRY VANSITTART ESQ^R^.
PRESIDENT & GOVERNOR &C^A^. COUNCIL AT FORT WILLIAM.

[HONBLE SIR & SIRS]

We [. . .] Tappies and 11^th^. of October [. . .].

The Chin [ts . . .] Cuddalore where We have sent orders [. . .] you consigned to us by her.

We observe [. . .] of the Chartered Ship to us the latter [end] of January to fill up with Bales and [. . .] our letter of the 16^th^. October that We expected to have about 200 Tons in Bales by the latter end of January so that with 30 Tons of Redwood & 250 Tons of Salt Petre you intend to send in part of her Cargoe We hope to make up her full Loading & dispatch her in good time.

The Fox sailed the 10^th^. Inst^t^. for Europe fully laden but to compleat her Tonnage We have been obliged to send in her all the Salt Petre We have received from you.

As we do not foresee any Event that can disturb the tranquillity of the Coast We have all reason to expect a very considerable encrease in our Investment in the course of the next Year, and were it possible for you to assist us with Salt Petre We have not the least doubt of being able to dispatch a ship to Europe in August next; In your Letter of the 2^nd^. August We [. . .] that the Quantity you intend for us this Season (over & above [. . .] Tons for each of the five ships for Europe) amounted to [. . .] Maunds or Three Hundred & Thirty Tons of which [. . .] received only One Hundred Tons ℔ Spencer, so that [. . .] you will be able to send us this season upwards [. . .] & We request that you will if possible [. . .]

In expectation of one of the Companys [. . .] way to the West Coast as you propose [. . .] laden on her the Articles the [. . .] have indented for to us. [. . .] the Head of Negrais stands Debtor in [. . .] Pagodas 87,659–34–27 if the Expedition [. . .] place We beg you will be pleased to give [. .] is possible that we may warn all Vessels [. . .] be on their Guard.

[We are]

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

FORT S^T^. GEORGE

16^TH^. NOVEMBER 1762

Your most obedient Servants

GEORGE PIGOT &C^A^. COUNCIL.

N°. 119.

To Rich^{D}. Fairfield Esq^{R}.
Chief of Mazulipatam.

Sir

We have recēd. your Letters dated 15th. Oc[tober], 1st. & 6th. Instant.

You will be pleased to take the depositions of the material Witnesses against Tho^{s}. Pew & send them to Madras with the Prisoner under a Guard of Seapoys.

M^{r}. Pybus is appointed to succed you in the Chiefship of Mazulipatam & will proceed to relieve you as soon as he can conveniently get in readiness, if however your [Health] make you desirous of coming here immediately [you will leave] the charge of the settlement with M^{r}. Brick[enden untill] M^{r}. Pybus's arrival.

We are
Sir
Your [Affectionate Friends]
[George Pigot &c^{A}. Council.]

Fort S^{t}. George
16 Nov^{R}. 1762.

N°. 120.

To the Hon̄ble Cha^{s}. Crommelin Esq^{R}.
President & Gov^{R}. &c^{A}. Council at Bombay.

[Hon̄ble Sir & Sirs]

[. . .] and We have now [despatched our Hon̄ble] Masters Ship Fox [to Europe on] the 10th. Instant with [. . .] & Coast & Piece Goods.

[. . .] Europe for the [. . .] Walpole & Earl of [Ashburnham] as she sailed early. The Haughton [*sic*] also for Madiera Coast & China is missing but as We have heard that she met with an accident in the Channel & put in to Portsmouth it is probable her destination may have been altered.

The Gentlemen of Bengal write us the 23rd. Sept^{r}. that they purposed to dispatch the Admiral Watson & Godolphin for Europe in October; One Ship they intend to send up to us in January to fill up with our Bales & four more they think to dispatch home directly from thence.

As the Brittania Snow was freighted on the Companys Account We were willing to make her as usefull as We could untill the season permitted her return to Bombay [we th]erefore ordered her to Cuddalore to fetch the Companys [Bales from] thence & We directed Cap^{t}. Delia to call at Allumpar [va to fetch] some shells for Chunam which lay ready there & [. . .] here, It is true he did obey these orders but with [. . .] behaved in a manner so unbecoming to the [. . .] that We cannot avoid complaining of him [. . .] sent him back to Allumparva for another [. . .] proceeded to that Place, took on [. . .] necessary for Ballast & then stood [. . .] receive any more. We conclude there—[. . .] you—We enclose an Account of [. . .] the Snow & of the Cost of the [. . .] recover the same from him [. . .] will think it proper to take notice [. . .].

We are
[Hon̄ble] Sir & Sirs
[Your] most obedient [humble] Servants
George Pigot &c^{A}. Council.

[Fort S^{t}. George
16th Nov^{R}. 1762]

N°. 121.

To THOMAS WHITEHILL ESQ^R.
CHIEF &C^A. COUNCIL AT ANJENGO.

GENTLEMEN

We wrote to You by the Spencer under [date] the 23^d. of last Month of which Duplicate is enclosed.

Our Honble Masters ship the Fox sail'd hence for Europe the 10^th. Instant with a full Lading.

We are

GENTLEMEN

Your Affectionate Friends

FORT S^T. GEORGE
16^TH. NOV^R. 1762.

GEORGE PIGOT &C^A. COUNCIL.

N°. 122.

To WILLIAM HORNBY ESQ^R.
CHIEF &C^A. COUNCIL AT TELLICHERRY.

GENTLEMEN

The last [. . .] dated the 14^th. July.

Our [. . .] hence for Europe the 10^th. [. . .].

We are

GENTLEMEN

Your Affectionate Friends

FORT S^T. GEORGE
16^TH. NOV^R. 1762.

GEORGE PIGOT &C^A. COUNCIL.

N°. 123.

To THOMAS HEATH ESQ^R.
CHIEF OF VIZAGAPATAM.

[SIR]

[. . .] and observe [that you are attempting to make the] Investment to [the southward which does not only give the] Merchants an opportunity of combining with those at Bandarmalanka, but the one must necessarily interfere with the other We would have you therefore after collecting the Cloth to the amount of the Money you have at present advanced, leave those Merchants to carry their Cloth to Bandarmalanka & confine yourself entirely to the provision of Cloths from the Bony and Tuney countries, from whence We see not, if proper encouragement is given why as large a Quantity of good Cloth may not be provided as formerly was, but if any Causes We are unacquainted with should prevent this & you cannot provide.

The Long Cloth.

Ordinary	N°. 1 at 36
	2 at 33
	3 at 30
Midling	N°. 1 at 48
	2 at 44
	3 at 42
Fine	N°. 1 at 60
	2 at 54
	3 at 50

[. . .] for Carriage We do not see what [benefit the Company can] receive by having a Member of the [Council at Vizagapatam and that in] such case therefore We shall [recall him]. [The cloth you] have already contracted for [must be taken at the] Bandarmalanka Prices. [. . .] have a List of the Cloths We [. . .] same as are contracted for [at your place and you] must get as much of the [No. 1 as possible].

[We are
Gentlemen]
[Your] affectionate Friends
GEORGE PIGOT &C^A. COUNCIL.

[FORT S^T. GEORGE
25^TH. NOVEMBER 1762.]

N°. 124.

TO THE HONBLE CHRISTIAN VAN TEYLENGEN ESQ^R.
GOV^R. OF NAGAPATAM & ITS DEPENDENCIES PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL &C^A. AND TO THE GENTLEMEN OF THE SAID COUNCIL.

HONBLE SIR & GENTLEMEN

M^r. Randolph Marriott lately returned hither from Batavia before his departure from thence purchased a Bar of Gold upon the Companys Acc[ount] on a report of its touch certified according to the Custom of [the] Mint there by the Assay Master. Upon two Assays made of the same Gold by our Assay Master it appears to be [. . . Touch] worse than is reported by the Batavia Assay the Loss [is] so trifling on this Bar that We should not have taken [notice] of it but as the like case frequently happens in Gold [purchased] by other Merchants & brought to our Mint We [. . .]ty to send you herewith the Bar with the report [of the Assay] made at Batavia & of that made here requesting [that you] will be pleased to have an Assay made of the [said Bar by] your Assay Master at Nagapatam & if it [. . .] that you will cause a Piece of the said [gold to be sent to] Batavia & then return the Ba[r] and send the report to us.

We are with gre[at affection]
[Honble Sir & Sirs]
[Your most obedient humble Servants
GEORGE PIGOT &C^A. COUNCIL].

FORT S^T. GEOR[GE]
24^TH. NOVEMBER 176[2].

N°. 125.

TO RICH^D. FAIRFIELD ESQ^R.
CHIEF OF MAZULIPATAM.

SIR

Agreable to what We wrote you the 16^th. Ult°. M^r. Pybus now proceeds to Mazulipatam to receive of you the Charge of that Settlement.

WE ARE
SIR
Your Most Humble Servants
GEORGE PIGOT &C^A. COUNCIL.

FORT S^T. GEORGE
[3^RD.] DECEMBER 1762.

N°. 126.

To the Honble Henry Vansittart Esq^r^.
President & Gov^r^. &c^a^. Council at
Fort William.

Honble Sir & Sirs

Although We find We shall have Money sufficient for our own occasions & to supply the Companys Supra Cargoes in China yet We fear We shall find it difficult to procure silver if therefore your Honor &c^a^. could send us a Number of Dollars or other silver it will remove the difficulty We are under—[and should] you find an opportunity of drawing on us for the [Amount in] Pagodas We shall duely Honour your Bills.

We are

Honble Sir & Sirs

Your Most Obedient Humble Servants

[Fort St. George
30^th^. November 1762.]

George Pigot &c^a^. Council.

N°. 127.

[To Charles Turner Esq^r^.
Chief of Cuddalore]

[Sir]

[We have received] your Letter of the 29^th^. of last Month & in answer to that part thereof [relating] to the offer your Merchants have made of giving you their Cloth at the same abatement our Merchants here have, we acquaint you that tho the abatement made here was very [consid]erable, the turned out Cloth was not much Inferior to [what] We had taken in & the Lengths & Breadths were equally [. .]. But as We had & have much at heart the improving [the] Investment We insisted upon such an Abatement in [hopes it] would induce them to be more carefull in future.

This therefore must be the rule you [. . .] guide your [self] with regard to all the ordinary Cloth of [the prop]er Lengths & Breadths—Short measure Cloth We will not [receive any] you must make the Merchants pay double duty thereon [when] they take it out of the Warehouse.

Fine Cloth must never be rece[ived] if it is inferior to the Muster N°. 2 you [Should either] reject it or sort it down to Midling & [what . . . turn'd] out fine may be receed as midling & not other[wise].

A supply of Cash [wil[illegible] verland tomorrow.

We are

Sir

Fort S^t^. George

8^th^. December 1762.

[Your most Obedient Servants]

[George Pigot &c^a^. Council.]

N°. 128.

To the Honble Henry Van[Sittart Esq^r^.]
President & Gov^r^. &c^a^. Council at
[Fort William.]

[Honble Sir & Sirs]

[. . .] last of the 4^th^. Instant.

The Gentlemen at Bombay write us that the
ed there the 19^th^. Sept^r^. & the Brittania Prince of Wales & Clive the 10^th^. 11^th^. & 12^th^. November, The last mentioned touched at Delagoa where she left the

Earl of Ashburnham the 12th. Septr. bound to this place, as she is not yet arrived We conclude she has proceeded on to you, & they also advise us that they learn by a country Vessel from Delagoa that the Walpole had been there & sailed the beginning of August, We are in pain for her as she has not since been heard of. The same Letters from Bombay [also] acquaint us that the [Boscawen] & Winchealsea were dispatched from thence to you the 4th. November.

We are

HONBLE SIR & SIRS

Most Obedient Humble Servants

GEORGE PIGOT.
STRINGER LAWRENCE.
ROBT. PALK.
CHAS. BOURCHIER.
RICHD. FAIRFIELD.
JOS. DUPRÉ.
JAS. ALEXANDER.

FORT ST. GEORGE
[29TH. DECEMBER 1762.]

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